Minutes -

OF

Seventy-Seventh Annual Convention

OF

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

OF

NEBRASKA

OF

The United Lutheran Church in America

Held In

CHRIST'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
DAVENPORT, NEBRASKA

The Reverend Henry Dumler, Pastor

April 25, 26, 27, 1949

DIRECTORY

Officers

PRESIDENT (1948-1953) Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, 549 West 9th St., Fremont, Nebraska.

SECRETARY (1949-1950) Rev. A. W. Young, D.D., 5823 Miami St., Omaha, Nebraska.

TREASURER (1949-1950) Mr. F. E. Wood, 736 East Military Ave., Fremont, Nebraska.

STATISTICIAN (1949-1950) Rev. R. V. Davis, 406 So. 9th St., Nebraska City, Nebraska.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Executive

The President of Synod
The Secretary of Synod
The Treasurer of Synod
Rev. W. A. Klink, D.D., Rising City, Nebraska
Mr. A. T. Yost, North Platte, Nebraska
Rev. W. H. Traub, D.D., LL.D., 2606 Farnam Street, Omaha, Nebr.
Mr. Edgar Havekost, Scribner, Nebraska.

Home Missions

Rev. A. H. Pinkall
Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D.
The President of Synod
Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D.
Mr. Paul Palmquist
Mr. W. W. Kuenning

Foreign Missions

Rev. H. Dumler
Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer
The President of Synod
Rev. John Jacobs
Mr. O. L. Sturtevant
Mr. A. T. Yost

Social Missions

Rev. F. W. Henkel
Rev. Paul de Freese
The President of Synod
Rev. J. C. Miller
Mr. Marius Christensen
M. Harold Wochmer

Ministerial Education

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich
Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D.
Rev. J. C. Miller
Rev. George Krebs
Mr. D. L. Tyrrell
Mr. Paul Palmquist
Mr. John Wollmer

Examining Committee

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich (1947-1950)
Rev. C. B. Harman, D.D., (1947-1950)
Rev. J. E. Messer, S.T.M., (1948-1951)
Rev. Henry Dumler (1948-1951)
Rev. John C. Hershey, D.D., (1949-1952)
Rev. A. H. Pinkall (1949-1952)

Trustees of Midland College

Rev. J. B. Rupley, D.D. (1948-1952)
Mr. S. A. Wassum (1948-1952)
The President of Synod
Rev. A. H. Pinkall (1949-1953)
Mr. A. E. Hecker (1949-1953)

Trustees of Tabitha Home

Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant (1947-1950)
Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D. (1949-1952)
Mr. H. G. Wellensiek (1949-1952)

Trustees of Central Lutheran Seminary

Rev. George Krebs (1949-1953)
The President of Synod

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Congregations and Parishes

Rev. Paul de Freese
Rev. H. Dumler
Rev. H. T. Monnich

Parish Life and Work

Rev. Paul Wiegman, Chairman.
Rev. Fred Kern (Member of Parish and Church School Board U.L.C.A.)

Departments:

Men of the Church—Rev. A. H. Pinkall. Women of the Church, Rev. J. E. Messer.

Youth of the Church Rev. W. F. Most. Children of the Church, Miss Amanda Jorn, Miss Mary E. Marx, Miss Ella Braun.

Church School, Rev. H. J. Goede
Rev. Raymond Bartels
Mrs. John Lamberty
Rev. J. H. M. Shiery
Rev. R. Rupley

Leadership Education
Rev. E. Switzer
Prof. Ralph Hankey
Rev. Paul de Freese
Mr. H. Bunge

Reference and Counsel

Rev. Raymond Bartels
Rev. Ralph Rangeler
Rev. Karl Gigstad

Stewardship

Rev. W. A. Klink, D.D.
Rev. F. W. Kern
Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer
Mr. F. E. Wood
Mr. D. L. Tyrrell
Mr. P. C. Hillegas

Synodical Paper

President of Synod and Conference Presidents.

Adjudication

Rev. W. H. Traub, D.D., LL.D.
Mr. H. G. Wellensiek (St. Paul's, Grand Island)
Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D.

Election Chairman

Rev. Jacob Swingle

Ministerial Pensions and Relief

Rev. K. Gigstad
Rev. E. W. Switzer
Rev. P. O. Anderson

Students in Non Lutheran Schools

Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D.
Rev. H. J. Goede
Rev. F. W. Henkel
Rev. J. H. M. Shiery

Promoting Subscriptions to "The Lutheran"

Rev. Kendig Rupley

Reporter to "The Lutheran"

Rev. Paul Wiegman.

Note: The first named in each committee is Chairman or Convenor.

CALENDAR FOR 1950

Place of Synod, Grace Lutheran Church, West Point, Nebr.

Time: April 17, 18, 19th, 1950

Synodical Sermon: President of Synod

Ordination Sermon: Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Alternate, Rev. L. H. Lesher, D. D.

Chaplain, Rev. J. B. Rupley Sr., D. D., Alternate, Rev. A. H. Pinkall

Chorister Rev. W. F. Most

Organist Rev. H. G. Goede

ROLL OF SYNOD

Pastor	Address	Year Ordained	Year Entered	Parish	
Anderson, P. O.,	Spencer, Nebraska	1945	1944	United,	Spencer
*Baltzly, O. D.,	Ph.D., D.D., LL. D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha	1896	1911	Pastor Emeritus, Kountze Memorial,	Omaha, Nebr.
Bartels, Raymond,	Gurley	1946	1945	Grace, Gurley; Trinity,	Dalton John Schuler
Clark, Harvey,	7103 Minne Lusa Avenue, Omaha	1935	1947	Redeemer,	Omaha V. B. Elseffer
Cordts, H. C.,	Wilbur	1926	1925	First,	Wilbur Mrs. L. Skocpol
Cress, F. L.,	Allen	1928	1936	First,	Allen
Davis, R. V.,	406 South 9th St., Nebraska City	1930	1929	First,	Nebraska City Herman Meentz
*Daubenspeck, W. M.,	Post Chapel, Camp Hood, Texas	1929	1929	Chaplain, U. S. Army	
deFreese, Paul,	Hooper	1943	1942	Grace,	Hooper John Schaeffer
*Dolbeer, Martin L. Jr.,	99 Sherman Street, Hartford, C.	1945	1946	Post Graduate Work	
*Dorner, E. A.,	Percy Jones Hospital, Battle Creek, Michigan	1929	1929	Chaplain, U. S. Army	
Dumler, H.	Davenport	1926	1925	Christ,	Davenport Chas. Brandt
*Estrada, D.,	South America	1931	1931	Missionary	
Frederick, P. W. H.,	D.D., 1653 North Colson, Fremont	1900	1931	Professor, Western Seminary	
Goede, H. J.,	1317 South 26 Street, Omaha	1930	1938	Grace,	Omaha
Gigstad, K.,	Leigh	1941	1940	St. John's,	Leigh R. B. Jenny
Guzman, Carlos,	1413 William Street, Omaha	1948	1948	Mexican Mission,	Omaha
*Harman, C. B.,	D.D., 225 East Ashton, Grand Island	1900	1909	Retired	
*Hartwig, G. H.,	625 North Clarkson, Fremont	1901	1941	Professor at Midland College	
Heidenreich, W. C.,	Oshkosh	1906	1928	St. Mark's,	Oshkosh C. J. Bergquist
Henkel, F. W.,	Auburn	1906	1938	St. Paul's,	Auburn W. W. Huenning
Hershey, J. C.,	D.D., 304 West 20th, Falls City, Nebraska	1917	1917	St. Paul's,	Falls City Benj. Yoessel
Hieronymus, W. P.,	Ph.D., Fremont	1921	1946	President of Midland College	
Holz, Wm. A.,	South America	1931	1931	Missionary	
Jacobs, John,	Ponca	1946	1946	Salem,	Ponca W. M. Wendte
Kahse, W. T.,	D.D., Box 103, Sidney, Nebraska	1905	1912	Retired	
Kern, F. W.,	325 East 10th, Fremont	1927	1946	Salem,	Fremont H. Stelk
Klink, W. A.,	D.D., Rising City	1917	1917	First,	Rising City C. Hillegas
Kramer, Arthur,	2411 Franklin Street, Bellevue, Nebraska	1934	1946	Immanuel,	Bellevue
Krebs, George P.,	West Point, Nebraska	1921	1939	Grace,	West Point L. Weitzenkamp
Lesher, L. H.,	D.D., 847 South 14th St., Lincoln	1938	1938	Grace,	Lincoln A. O. Dahlquist
Messer, J. E.,	M.S.T., 221 East 21 St., South Sioux City, Nebr.	1915	1928	First, So. Sioux City, Nebr.	H. Pilgrim
Miller, J. C.,	Verdon	1933	1945	St. Mark's Verdon; Trinity,	Stella Chas. Werner
Monich, H. T.,	10th Ave. and Linden, Sidney, Nebraska	1944	1948	Trinity,	Sidney Dr. C. P. Taylor
E. C. Mortensen,	Paxton, Nebraska	1920	1920	Grace,	Sutherland; Trinity, Paxton John Schow
*Mortensen, G. E.,	P. O. Box 351, Reedsport, Oregon	1920	1920	Community Church,	Reedsport, Oregon
Most, W. F.,	5211 Seward Street Omaha	1931	1943	Luther Memorial,	Omaha E. B. Torrey
*Mumm, Harry J.,	Tyler Hall, Apt. 9, 99 Sherman St., Hartford, Conn.	1944	1943	Post Graduate Work	
*Olson, Carl J.,	2222 16th Street, Columbus	1911	1944	United,	Columbus Harm Kruse
Pfeiffer, R. R.,	Emerson	1929	1943	St. Luke's,	Emerson I. G. Enke

Pinkall, A. H., 3931 South 23rd Street, Omaha	1930	1930	St. Luke's, Omaha — Wm. Voss
Rangeler, Ralph E., Beatrice, Nebraska	1919	1949	Trinity, Beatrice — Geo. Stewart
Rupley, J. B. Jr., 311 West 5th, North Platte	1942	1941	First, North Platte — A. T. Yost
Rupley, J. B., D.D., 1321 West 2nd, Grand Island	1916	1941	St. Paul's, Grand Island — Albert Windolph
Rupley, Kendig, Hampton	1947	1946	Emmanuel Hampton
Shiery, J. H. M., 419 Pearl Street, Wayne	1945	1944	St. Paul's, Wayne — Ole Olson
Simon, M. B., Broadwater, Nebr.	1937	1948	Messiah, Broadwater
Schuldt, T. J. C., 549 West 9th Street, Fremont, Nebraska	1936	1936	President of Synod
*Suter, James C., Stamford	1937	1949	Trinity, Stamford — John Sporing
Swingle, Jacob, 2602 Farnam Street, Omaha	1939	1949	Ass't Pastor, Kountze Memorial, Omaha
Switzer, E. W., Dakota City, Nebraska	1944	1943	Salem, Dakota City, Nebr. — Arthur Armbrist
Traub, W. H., D.D., LL.D., 2602 Farnam Street, Omaha	1913	1931	Kountze Memorial, Omaha — Paul Palmquist
Wiegman, Paul, Tekamah	1940	1940	Emmanuel, Tekamah, J. W. Andreson, St. John's, Vacona — P. H. Katt
Wise, W. G., Box 280, Lincoln, Nebr.	1933	1946	Director of D.P. Work in Nebraska
*Wood, E. G., Chirala, Guntur, India	1929	1929	Missionary
Young, A. W., D.D., 5823 Miami Street, Omaha	1926	1944	First English Lutheran, Omaha — E.Ruwe
Vacant Supplied from Western Seminary			Zion Benedict — Percy Seymour
Vacant Supplied from Western Seminary			Trinity, Eagle — Floyd Sickman
Vacant Supplied from Western Seminary			St. Paul's, Homer
Vacant Supplied from Western Seminary			Trinity, Hubbard
Vacant Supplied from Western Seminary			United, Scribner — R. Wagner
Vacant Supplied from Western Seminary			Emmanuel, Snyder
Vacant Supplied by Dr. C. B. Harman			Trinity, Wolbach
Vacant Supplied from Western Seminary			Grace, Walton
Vacant (Reular Supply, Kimball, ALC Rev. Gies)			St. Paul's, Hardy — H. M. Davidson
United Services			York, McCool Junction
Vacant Supplied from Western Seminary			

*Absence excused.

MINUTES

OF THE

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska

SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

HELD IN

Christ's Lutheran Church

DAVENPORT, NEBRASKA

APRIL 25, 26, 27, 1949

Monday Afternoon **3:00 P. M.** **April 25, 1949**

The Seventy-seventh Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in Christ's Lutheran Church, Davenport, Nebraska, the Rev. Henry Dumler, Pastor, on Monday, April 25th, 1949 at 3:00 P. M.

The Preparatory and Holy Communion Services were conducted by the President and Secretary of Synod, and the Chaplain, Pastor Harvey C. Clark. The Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, president of synod, preached the Commuion Sermon from the text Ephesians 3:8.

Chaplain Harvey C. Clark conducted a memorial service in memory of the following who died in the past year: Dr. J. S. Leamer, retired pastor who died Apil 8, 1948, age 82; Mrs. W. C. Heidenreich, wife of Pastor W. C Heidenreich died April 11, 1948, age 64 years; the Rev. Frank S. Delo, retired pastor, died August 30, 1948, age 82, and Dr. William Ira Guss, former President of the Nebraska Synod, died November 3, 1948, age 77 years.

Monday Evening **8:00 P. M.** **April 25, 1949**

Vespers were conducted by Pastor Henry Dumler. Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton, Executive Secretary of the Laymen's Movement for Stewardship presented the Christian Higher Education Year appeal to Synod.

Tuesday Morning **8:45 A. M.** **April 26, 1949**

The Matins Service was conducted by the Chaplain of Synod, Pastor Harvey Clark.

The Formal Opening of Synod was conducted by President T. J. C. Schuldt.

The Roll was called with forty-one pastors and thirty-one lay delegates present.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented its Report. It was recommended that the Ministerium scheduled for 4:30 P. M. be placed at 11:30 A. M. and that the reception of members into Synod be the first item of business in the afternoon. A motion carried to adopt the printed program with the change recommended.

RECEPTION OF OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES: The following were presented to Synod as representatives of several synods and institutions: Mrs. L. Skocpol, from Women's Missionay Society of Nebraska. Dr. Clarene C. Stoughton, official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America; President G. L. Search of the Kansas Synod. Mr. Kurt Webber of the United Lutheran Publication House, Dr. T. D. Rinde and Dr. E. B. Keisler of Western Seminary and proposed Central Lutheran Seminary. A motion carried that these representatives be received as Advisory Members and be given the privilege of the floor.

The President of Synod presented his report and referred it to the Committee on the President's Report.

President's Report

"All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Mt. 28:18-20

The work of the church in our day has seemed to require a flurry of varied activities. The demands made by attention to detail in method and organization threaten to become all-absorbing in time and energy. The joy and satisfaction of soul-caring effort through pastoral ministration and the fellowship of congregational activity become but as the intermittent, refreshing experience of clear sky and bright sunshine which appear momentarily through breaks in an almost constant and dense haze. The emphasis upon statistics and sums. resulting in criticism or praise, has often failed to take into account the intangible fruits of soul-care. These fruits cannot easily be measured nor expressed in statistics and sums, yet they also symbolize devotion to duty, relentless effort and expending of energy as well as skill in leadership.

In recalling the experiences of this Synodical year, I am impressed with their variety, both in location and character, as well as the persistence of their demands. It has been heartening to observe in our congregations both the desire for and appreciation of faithful pastoral ministration. It may be safely said that in all of our congregations there are many who hunger for the Bread of Life in the preaching of the Word; who want the guidance, strength and reassurance that come through failthful pastoral care; who are refreshed and inspired in the fellowship of our church; who find joy in being "workers together with God."

Amid the flurry of activity within the church we will do well to be alert in placing first things first; the Word and the Sacraments;

to honor and esteem the pastoral office; to consider the sacredness of the Call; to recognize faithful pastoral effort for what it is; to consider how great a blessing is the Church; to rejoice in serving the Lord. The Great Commission which our Lord has placed upon us puts divine authority upon our effort and gives us the humbling assurance that we do not labor alone, and that the fruits of our effort are not bound by the limitations of our own strength, nor dependent upon human devices and methods. "Lo, I am with you alway. even unto the end of the world."

Deaths

Rev. J. S. Leamer, D. D., April 8, 1948
Mrs. W. C. Heidenreich, April 11, 1948
Rev. F. S. Delo, August 30, 1948
Rev. W. I. Guss, D. D., November 3, 1948

Anniversary Observances

Trinity, Stamford, Sixtieth, observed Nov. 19th, 1948
Trinity. Hubbard, Fortieth, observed Oct. 31, 1948
Kountze Memorial, Omaha, Ninetieth, observed Dec. 7, 1948

Dedication

Messiah, Broadwater, new church dedicated August 22, 1948

Special Occasions

Grace, Lincoln, Sept. 12, 1948, laying of cornerstone for new church.
Kountze Memorial, Omaha, Nov. 7, 1948, burning of mortgage, new Church School, and Parish House.

Record of other special occasions, dedicatory services, etc., as reported, is contained in the file of issues of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran.

Installations

Rev. J. H. M. Shiery, St. Paul's, Wayne, Sept. 12, 1948, President of Synod.

Rev. E. W. Switzer, Ass't, Salem, Fremont, September 12, 1948, Dr. P. W. H. Frederick.

Rev. George Krebs, Grace, West Point, Sept. 26, 1948, President of Synod.

Rev. Carl J. Olson, United, Columbus. Oct. 3, 1948, President of Synod.

Rev. John Jacobs, Salem, Ponca, Feb. 6, 1949, Pres. of Synod.

Rev. E. W. Switzer, Salem, Dakota City, Feb. 20, 1949, President

Resignations

Rev. Geo. Mortensen, Trinity, Beatrice, effective June 1, 1948, called to Reedsport Community Church, Reedsport, Oregon.

Rev. John Shirck, Trinity, Eagle; Grace, Walton, to accept call to United, Cole Camp, Mo., effective June 1, 1948.

Rev. J. H. M. Shiery, United, Columbus, to accept call to St. Paul's, Wayne, effective August 1, 1948.

Rev. Carl J. Olson Trinity. Stamford, to accept call to United, Columbus, effective Oct. 1, 1948.

Rev. E. W. Switzer, Zion, Benedict, to accept call as Assistant at Salem. Fremont, effective Sept. 1, 1948.

Rev. M. L. Dolbeer, Jr., Assistant at Kountze Memorial, Omaha, for post-graduate study, effective Sept. 1, 1948.

Rev. H. Joens, Salem, Dakota City, to accept call to St. Johns, Scribner, Midwest Synod, effective Nov. 15, 1948.

Rev. John Jacobs, United, Scribner; Emmanuel, Snyder, to accept call to Salem, Ponca, effective Feb. 1., 1949.

Rev. E. W. Switzer, Assistant at Salem, Fremont, to accept call to Salem, Dakota City, effective Feb. 15, 1949.

Transfers

Rev. John Shirck to Kansas Synod.
Rev. Robert Shirck to Midwest Synod, St. John's, Bennington, Nebr.
Rev. H. Joens to Midwest Synod, St. John's, Scribner.

Accessions

Rev. Jacob Swingle, Assistant at Kountze Memorial, Omaha, from Ohio Synod.
Rev. Arthur Kramer, Immanuel, Bellevue, from Pacific Synod.
Rev. Ralph E. Rangeler, Trinity, Beatrice, from Kansas Synod.

Vacancies

St. Paul's Homer — supplied from Western Seminary
Trinity, Hubbard — supplied from Western Seminary
United, Scribner — supplied from Western Seminary
Emmanuel, Snyder — supplied from Western Seminary
First, Rising City — supplied from Western Seminary
Zion, Benedict — supplied from Western Seminary
Grace, Walton — supplied from Western Seminary
Trinity, Eagle — supplied from Western Seminary
Trinity, Stamford — supplied from Western Seminary
Trinity, Wolbach —supplied by Dr. Harman

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE J. C. SCHULDT

The Treasurer's report was presented by Mr. F. Wood. Moved, seconded and carried that the Auditor's Report be accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT 1948

RECEIPTS

The Apportionment	85136.90
Tabitha Home Special Gifts	1782.89
Midland College Special Gifts	201.38
Forward Midland Campaign	2581.13

Foreign Mission	2820.18
Nebr. Synod Film Showing	14.80
Potter and Wolbach President's Travel Expense	37.80
Refund 75th Anniversary Com.	26.31
Mission Comm. Women's Mission Inc.	300.00
Lutheran World Action	26628.95
Western Theological Seminary	300.00
Miscellaneous	698.36
	120528.70

DISBURSEMENTS

United Lutheran Church Apport.	46325.00
Lutheran World Action	26628.95
Foreign Missions	2820.18
Brotherhood	20.44
Midland Endowment	5.00
World Day of Prayer	30.88
Board of American Missions	55.00
Mexican Mission Omaha	49.98
Children of the Church	207.50
Midland Assembly	5.00
Faith in Youth	10.00
American Bible Society	10.00
Am. S. S. Association	5.00
Board of Pensions and Relief	100.00
Lutheran Welfare Child Care	150.00
Inst. Chaplaincy	50.00
Midland College Apport.	14287.00
Specials	201.38
Western Seminary Apport.	3402.00
Specials	300.00
Tabitha Home Apport.	7111.74
Specials	1782.89
Mission Com. Apport.	3500.00
Special	200.44
Ministerial Education	500.00
Forward Midland Campaign	2581.13
Synod Items as follows	10090.07
	120528.70

SYNOD DISBURSEMENTS

T. J. C. Schult, Salary and Expense	2535.92
W. W. Kuenning Ex. Com.	45.83
L. L. of Nebr. Gift Grant	150.00
Farmers Mutual Ins. Co. Ericson Ch.	4.12
J. C. Hershey, Sal. and Exp.	2321.56
J. C. Hershey, Spl. Gift	1500.00
Paul Wiegman, P. L. and Work	23.00
Western Union L. W. A.	20.78
Paul de Freese P. L. and Work	21.68
A. T. Yost Ex. Comm.	120.76
Bekins Van and Storage, St. Mark's Storage	201.60
R. W. Bartels Stewardship Film	52.79

F. E. Wood, Sal. and Exp.	196.32
Tabitha Home Lunch Joint Com.	6.00
Walstrom Flower Shop, Dr. Guss	15.00
J. F. Borstain Treasurer's Bond	10.00
R. V. Davis, Sal. and Exp.	56.50
J. B. Rupley Jr. Picture	29.00
John H. Shiery L. L. P. L.	135.87
E. C. Mortensen Conference	10.84
F. W. Henkel Camp Site and Child Welfare	62.00
W. A. Klink Ex. Comm.	75.18
Board of Pensions and Rel. Pensions	193.30
Henry Monnich for Jan. Service Synod	10.44
Nebr. State Bldg. and Loan Box Rent	2.40
Enterprise Pub. Co., Min. of Synod and Paper	720.42
Hansen Audit Co. Audit	35.00
Green's Greenhouse, Mrs. Heidenrich, Mrs. Miller	15.95
Stephens Nat. printing checks	4.00
F. W. Kern Par. and Ch. Comm.	45.92
Andrews Transfer Moving President's Furn.	97.80
W. H. Traub Installation	18.70
W. H. Traub Exec. Com.	4.80
A. W. Young Installation	15.00
A. W. Young, P. L. and Work	4.80
A. W. Young, Salary and Expense	118.94
Ambassador Cafe Ex. Comm. Meals	5.85
A. H. Pinkall, P. L. and Work	6.00
Amanda Jorn, P. L. and Work	5.54
R. R. Pfeiffer Midland Assembly	8.40
R. R. Pfeiffer Stewardship	8.40
Midland College Com. Meeting with Midwest	7.50
Midland College Stamps and Stationery	11.00
Petrow Cafe Min. Aid Comm.	9.00
Petrow Cafe Stewardship Committee	4.90
W. C. Heidenreich Min. Aid Comm.	15.00
L. H. Lesher Min. Aid Comm.	5.50
J. C. Miller Min. Aid Comm.	8.00
John Jacobs L. W. A.	63.81
Channel Ptg. Co., F. W. Ribbon	1.00
Fremont Greenhouse	8.00
Jungbluth Transfer	6.04
Augustine Co.	21.80
J. E. Messer	10.00
A. H. Pinkall U. L. C. Convention	90.00
F. W. Kern U. L. C. Convention	90.00
Paul de Freese U. L. C. Convention	90.00
T. J. C. Schuldt U. L. C. Convention	90.00
D. L. Tyrell U. L. C. Convention	90.00
Maurius Christensen U. L. C. Convention	90.00
Paul Palmquist U. L. C. Convention	90.00
Harved Wachner U. L. C. Convention	90.00
A. W. Young U. L. C. Convention	90.00
John Wollmer U. L. C. Convention	90.00
Art Printers Ballots	2.25
Student Work Uni.	100.00
	10090.07

Treasurer's Annual Exhibit, 1948

	Apport.	Paid	Pctge.	Spls.	L. W. A.	Totals
Allen	485.00	207.00	43		93.00	300.00
Auburn	1995.00	3070.00**	154	358.23	862.15*	4290.38
Beatrice	614.00	429.00	70	71.49	52.01	552.50
Benedict	553.00	801.00*	146	183.04	190.87	1174.91
Bellevue	257.00	100.00	39			100.00
Broadwater	445.00	360.00	81			360.00
Columbus	485.00	556.00*	114	31.00	141.00*	728.00
Dak. City Em.	51.00	35.00	70			35.00
Dak. City Salem	952.00	847.73	89		56.10	980.83
Dalton	502.00	941.00**	187	147.48	243.63	1332.11
Davenport	1283.00	1283.00*	100	46.00	227.65	1556.65
Eagle	257.00	60.00	23		110.00*	170.00
Emerson	1590.00	1081.00	68	59.00	886.00*	2026.00
Falls City	3146.00	3146.00*	100	50.00	1104.00*	4300.00
Fremont	3793.00	6262.39**	165	362.04	1532.10*	8156.54
Grand Island	6897.00	4340.90	63	672.50	1443.83	6457.23
Gurley	633.00	945.00*	149	33.75	174.76	1153.35
Hampton	348.00	547.00**	157		172.50*	719.50
Hardy	359.00	553.00**	154	84.50	152.00*	789.50
Homer	895.00	154.77	17			154.77
Hooper	1573.00	2421.00**	154	130.43	468.69*	3220.12
Hubbard	182.00	60.00	32	10.00		70.00
Leigh	1116.00	711.00	64	37.00	367.61	1115.61
Lewellen	285.00	439.00**	154	12.80	166.00*	617.80
Lincoln	3420.00	5262.00**	154	635.00	1370.25*	7267.25
McCool Jct.	775.00	485.11	63	51.73	107.23	644.07
Nebr. City	969.00	488.42	50	50.00	69.80	608.22
North Platte	3454.00	4260.00*	123	274.79	1321.56	5836.55
Omaha First	1340.00	1547.00*	111	94.25	422.66	2063.91
Omaha Grace	918.00	1709.00**	186	275.00	694.00*	2678.00
Omaha K. M.	13139.00	13147.00*	100	3208.63	4388.01	20743.64
Omaha L. M.	1174.00	1807.00**	154	84.00	431.00*	2322.00
Omaha R.	2303.00	2975.58*	129	167.50	1361.29	4504.37
Omaha St. L.	3420.00	5443.00**	159	169.00	1481.57*	7093.57
Oshkosh	257.00	400.00**	156	32.00	195.00*	627.00
Paxton	1043.00	1621.00**	155	316.51	872.67*	2810.18
Ponca	1117.00	568.00	51		280.50	848.50
Potter	200.00	307.00**	153	95.96	203.04*	606.00
Rising City	764.00	1175.00**	154	131.87	336.00*	1642.87
Scribner	809.00	1245.00**	154	50.00	521.00*	2816.00
Sidney	1203.00	1268.00*	105		265.00	1533.00
Snyder	314.00	365.00*	116	40.00	155.00*	560.00
S. Sioux City	1881.00	2894.00**	154	80.00	829.00*	3803.00
Spencer	262.00	262.00*	100	8.80	264.75*	535.55
Stamford	701.00	573.00	82		256.43*	829.43
Stella	148.00	228.00**	154	83.00	38.69	349.69
Sutherland	91.00	123.00*	135	49.16	70.00*	242.16
Tekamah	684.00	1052.00**	154	47.50	295.00*	1394.50
Vacoma	262.00	403.00**	154	25.60	120.00*	548.60
Verdon	650.00	650.00*	100		279.75	929.75

Walton	490.00	105.00	21		85.00	190.00
Wayne	1789.00	1789.00*	100		85.00	190.00
West Point	2195.00	2195.00*	100		490.50	2279.50
Wilber	371.00	261.00	70		732.50*	2927.50
Wolbach	713.00	192.00	27		13.00	274.00
York	775.00	534.00	70	15.00	160.00	367.00
J. K. Jensen Refund of expense					44.85	578.85
					30.00	30.00
TOTALS	76920.00	85136.90	111	8274.56	26628.95	120040.41

21 Churches Failed
**20 Churches 200% or above
*16 Churches 100% or above

The Statistician. Pastor R. V. Davis presented his report. Moved seconded and carried that it be accepted.

REPORT OF STATISTICIAN

Parochial reports have been received from 53 congregations of Synod. Three congregations did not send in reports for 1948, so it was necessary to make them from previous reports of 1947. They were St. Paul's Lutheran, Homer; First Lutheran, Potter, and Grace Lutheran, Walton.

A duplicate copy of the parochial report for each congregation, with the necessary corrections made by your statistician, and a summary of all reports have been sent to the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Clerical Roll of Synod (Dec. 31, 1948) lists 57 names classified as follows: 37 active pastors serving synodical congregations; 2 pastors serving congregations not on the roll of synod; 2 chaplains; 5 professors, teachers and general workers; 4 foreign missionaries; 3 retired or emeritus; 2 post-graduate work; and 2 in secular employment

MEMBERSHIP —GAINS — LOSSES

Number of Members: Baptized 32,879, gain 751; Confirmed 22, 599, gain 291; Communing 14,673, gain 776.

Number of Sunday Schools 59, gain 3; Staff members 973, gain 28; in Sunday School 7,296, gain 291; in Home Department 229, gain 122; on Nursery Roll 1,560, gain 185; Week Day schools 25, gain 4; teachers 245, gain 44; pupils 1,645, gain 224; Children of Church leaders 16, loss 9; pupils 173, loss 53. Number catechumens 1,209, loss 12; in Lutheran Seminaries 7, gain 2; in Lutheran motherhouses 3, same as last year; in other Lutheran institutions 103, loss 6; in Non-Lutheran institutions 441, gain 194.

Group organizations: Men's 22, loss 2, members 543, gain 8; Women's 112, gain 5; members 3,904, gain 217; Mixed 19, loss 1, members 530, gain 39;; Young People 65, gain 13, members 2,064, gain 974.

VALUATION CHURCH PROPERTY — GAINS — LOSSES

Church Buildings $1,542,490, gain $180,800; Parsonages $245,050, gain $13,400; Endowment $17,200, loss $3,363; Other Property $298,665, gain $75,716; Indebtedness $29,539, gain $10,581; Total Valuation $2,103,405, gain $276,553.

EXPENSES — GAINS — LOSSES

Congregational, Current $268,328, gain $28,387; Unusual $197,548, gain $96,675; Total Congregational Expenses $465,876, gain $125,062.

CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE — GAINS —LOSSES

Unapportioned Benevolence: Education $4,783, loss $10,447; Foreign Missions $7,543, loss $2,148; American Missions $2,616, loss $628; Social Missions $9,735, gain $2,671; Other Benevolence $36,536, loss $9,273.

TOTALS

Total Unapportioned Benevolence $61,213, loss $19,825; Total Apportioned Benevolence $85,136.90, gain $27,456.72; Total Benevolence $146,349.90, gain $7,631.72; Total Expenditures $612,225.90, gain $132,693.72 over last year.

Respectfully Submitted.

R. V. DAVIS, Statistician

President Lorin Wolff of the Mid-West Synod was presented to Synod and by motion carried was received as an advisory member of synod and extended the privilege of the floor.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1948 - 1949

The Executive Committee held seven meetings since the last meeting of Synod. Reports of the President and Treasurer were presented at each meeting. The principle items of business are outlined as follows:

April 16, 1948

1. Arrangements were made for the installation of Synodical Officers on August 4th at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Grand Island, Nebraska. Dr. Walter Traub was appointed to officiate and Dr. J. B. Rupley was appointed to deliver the message.
2. The dates for the next meeting of Synod were set.
3. The President of Synod was authorized to employ an attorney to help complete the settlement of the St. Mark's, Omaha, obligations to Synod since the property had been sold.

May 31, 1948

The purpose of this meeting was to hear a report on the progress of the matter pertaining to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska. By motion regularly seconded and carried, application was made to court for the appointment of a trustee to hold funds of the former St. Mark's congregation, Omaha.

August 11, 1948

1. The plan of promoting Lutheran World Action within the synod was discussed.
2. The Rev. J. Jacobs was appointed Synodical Director for L. W. A.
3. Mr. H. G. Wellensiek, Esq., was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Mission Committee. The vacancy had been left upon the death of Mr. Otto Nelson.
4. Moved, seconded and carried that the Ministerial Education be authorized to continue under the old By-laws until new ones are approved and that the committee prepare suitable by-laws to presented to the next convention of synod.

September 13, 1948

1. St. Mark's Church. Moved and seconded that the Executive Committee recommend the settling of the financial matters pertaining to St. Mark's Church in the following manner; Fifty percent of the total amount is to be retained by the Mission Committee and that the balance to be divided as follows: Grace Lutheran Church, Omaha, to recieve 75 per cent and Luther Memorial Church, Omaha, to receive 25 per cent. Motion carried.
2. Moved and seconded that the sale of the Erikson Church property be placed in the hands of Mr. H. G. Wellensiek and that he be granted power of attorney in this matter. Motion carried.

November 30, 1948

1. Moved and seconded that any committee having funds appropriated to it by synod, pay all expenses out of the committee treasury. Moved and seconded that President and Secretary of synod be authorized to sign agreement drawn up regarding St. Mark's Church, Omaha. (See item 1 of meeting on Sept. 13, 1948)
2. The following were appointed to represent synod in the departments of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska.
   Family and Child Care—Dr. A. W. Young; Chaplaincy—Dr. W. A. Klink; Care of the Aged—Mr. O. Prestogaard; Hospital—Mr. D. R. Tyrrell.
3. Moved and seconded that Nebraska Synod pay its share of Expenses of the Lutheran Welfare Council incurred in 1948. Motion carried.

February 1, 1949

1. A group of men from Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, asked for a hearing regarding methods of procedure. It was moved and seconded that they be heard. Motion carried.

2. A statement of principle and procedure in the matter concerning Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, was presented by President Schuldt. Moved and seconded that the statement be approved by the Executive Committee and that President Schuldt read same to a regularly called congregational meeting of Salem Lutheran Church. Motion carried.
3. The Rev. H. G. Geoede was named as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Lutheran Student Foundation, Lincoln, Nebr.
4. The Rev. Fred Henkel was named as representative on the Nebraska Planning Board of the Evangelism Campaign to be started in 1949.
5. The budget was discussed and by motion seconded and carried the following are recommended for adoption.

SECTION 1. Fixed Items

Salaries	$ 4,400.00	
(President $4000.00, Secretary $150.00, Treasurer $150.00, Statistician $100.00)		
Midland College, $1.20 per Communing Member	17,607.00	
CentralLutheran Seminary, $.35 per Communing Member	5,135.00	
President's Travel Expense	825.00	
Office Rent	600.00	
Home Mission Committee	5,000.00	
Beneficiary Education	500.00	
Synodical Paper	750.00	
General Expense Fund	600.00	
Printing	300.00	
U. L. C. Delegates	800.00	
Student Work	600.00	
Young Peple's Camp	75.00	
Auditor's Fees	35.00	
Treasurer's Bond	10.00	
Committee on Parish Life and Work	300.00	
Promotion of Youth Work	300.00	
Child Care	_____	
Lutheran Welfare Council	_____	
Institutional Chaplaincy	_____	
Total		$37,837.00

SECTION 2, The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church in America	$73,823.00	
Tabitha Home	7,352.00	81,175.00
		$119,012.00

1. The Rev. Kendig Rupley was named as representative on the State CROP Committee.
2. Moved, seconded and carried that President Schuldt present the matter of the Lutheran Welfare Council to the next Convention of Synod.
3. Moved, seconded and carried that the project of acquiring a camp be turned over to the men of the Church in our synod.

4. Moved, seconded and carried that laymembers of Executive Committee attend the convention of synod at the expense of synod.
5. Moved, seconded and carried that the Executive Committee recommend to synod that President Schuldt be granted $1000.00 toward the purchase of a new automobile.

ALFRED W. YOUNG, Secretary

COMMITTEEE ON CONSTITUTION

Your committee on constitution submits the following By-laws for your consideration and adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. HERSHEY, Chairman
P. W. H. FREDERICK
J. B. RUPLEY, SR.
H. G. WELLENSIEK

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

Section 1 — Meetings of Synod

a. The regular convention of the Synod shall be held the second week following Easter or as near that date as possible. The sessions shall begin on Monday and continue as long as the business of Synod may demand.

b. The Executive Committee shall prepare the program for all conventions of the Synod and present it for adoption at the opening session of each convention.

c. The President shall open and close all conventions with the use of the liturgical order prepared by the United Lutheran Church in America..

d. The President, and those delegated by him, shall arrange for and administer the Holy Communion at every convention of the Synod.

e. The President shall appoint a chaplain for every convention of Synod who shall be responsible for the conduct of all other services and shall conform them to the accepted usages of the United Lutheran Church in America.

f. All sessions of every convention of the Synod shall be opened and closed with devotional services.

Section 2 — Of the Conferences

a. The annual meeting of each conference shall be held in the fall of the year.

b. The exact date of the conference meetings shall be determined by the Committee of Presidents.

c. All public services at the meetings of each conference shall be conformed to the practices of Synod.

ARTICLE II

Section 1 — The Executive Committee

a. The Executive Committee shall recommend to the Synod the compensation to be given per annum to each salaried officer of the Synod enumerated in Article III of the Constitution, at the convention at which he is to be elected.

b. Recommendation of the Executive Committee concerning salaries of officers shall be presented and approved before their election takes place.

c. The compensation of officers shall not be altered during their terms of office.

Section 2 —of Delegates

a. Any delegates unable to attend a convention of the United Church in America shall promptly inform the President of his inability to attend.

b. The President of Synod shall be chairman of the delegation and appoint a secretary when necessary.

c. All delegates are expected to attend all sessions of the convention of which they are the Synod's representatives. All excuses for non-attendance must be submitted to the chairman of the delegation and be acceptable to him.

d. A per diem allowance shall be granted to each delegate in attendance at a rate fixed by the Executive Committee.

e. In the event that a special session of the United Lutheran Church in America shall be held between conventions of the Synod, for which other delegates could not be elected, the delegates to the former convention of the United Lutheran Church in America shall represent the Synod at such conventions.

ARTICLE III

Section 1 — Elections

The President

In the election of the President the following rules shall prevail:

a. There shall be no nominations.

b. On the first ballot, three-fourths of the votes cast shall be necessary for the election. On the scond ballot, two-thirds of the votes cast shall be necessary for an election. On the third ballot, a majority of the votes cast shall be necessary for an election. If there is no election on the third ballot, the fourth ballot shall be confined to the two persons who received the highest and the next highest number of votes on the third ballot. On the fourth ballot, a majority of the votes cast shall elect.

c. Should a fourth ballot be necessary, it shall not be taken at the same session as the third ballot.

Section 2 —The Secretary, the Treasurer and the Statistician

In the election of the secretary, the treasurer and the statistician, the following rules shall prevail:

a. A nominating Committee to be appointed by the President shall present two names in nomination, without prejudice to the right of nomination from the floor.

b. A majority of votes cast shall be necessary to elect.

Section 3 — Of Elective Committees

a. A Nominating Committee to be appointed by the President shall nominate two candidates for each vacancy on the Elective Committees which are named in Article VI of the Constitution. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

b. No member of Synod shall serve on more than one Elective Committee or standing committee at one time.

c. Election shall be by ballot at such time as the chair shall decide. A majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to elect.

Section 4 —Of Directors and Trustees

Midland College, Western Seminary and Tabitha Home.

a. The Synod shall elect as many of the Trustees of Midland College, Western Seminary, and Tabitha Home as the charters and constitutions of those institutions provide.

b. For each vacancy occurring in the representation of Synod on those boards, a nominating committee to be appointed by the President shall present two names at the time of their election. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

Of the manner of these elections:

a. All elections for trustees shall be made by ballot. A majority of the votes cast shall be necessary to elect.

Section 5 — Delegates to the United Lutheran Church in America

The delegation of the Synod of Nebraska to the United Lutheran Church in America shall be constituted as follows:

a. The President of Synod shall be a delegate ex-officio to all conventions of the United Lutheran Church in America. In the event that the President, the Secretary, or the Treasurer of the United Lutheran Church in America is a member of this Synod, or of a congregation of this Synod, he shall also be a delegate ex-officio.

b. The number of delegates and alternates shall be specified by the constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America. An equal number of clerical and lay delegates shall be elected. All delegates and alternates shall be elected by ballot. In all elections under this article a majority vote shall constitute a choice.

c. Lay delegates only shall be nominated from the floor of Synod.

d. The names of those elected shall be recorded according to their priority of their election. When any delegate is unable to attend the convention of the United Lutheran Church in America to which he is elected, he shall at once inform the President of the Synod so that he may immediately notify the alternates in the order in which they have been elected.

ARTICLE IV

MINISTERS

1. The ordination certificate of a pastor is simply an attestation of the fact that he has been ordained. The Synod, therefore, does not accept an ordination certificate as adequate evidence of a minister's connection with his Synod, nor of his present standing in the same.

2. No pastor shall be installed who is not a member of the Synod. Therefore, when a congregation calls a pastor from a sister Synod, the date for the call to become effective should be at least sixty days. All pastors shall be installed by the President of Synod or by someone authorized by him as soon as possible after entering a new pastorate.

3. No pastor shall resign a portion of his parish and continue to serve the remaining part without the consent of the joint council of the parish and the approval of the President of Synod.

Synod carefully and conscientiously to fill out annual parochial reports and send them to the Statistician by a date set by the Executive Committee. Failure to send reports make the offender amenable to the Synod.

ARTICLE V

Procedure in Cases of Discipline

The committee on discipline provided for in Article XI of the Constitution shall be selected in the following manner, to-wit:

1. The Examining Committee of the Synod shall select twelve persons, of whom eight shall be clerical members of the Synod and four shall be lay members of congregations belonging to Synod, except that when in conflict with Article 1, Section II of the Constitution, then all shall be clerical members of the Synod.

2. Thereupon the twelve persons so selected shall proceed under the temporary presidency of the chairman of the examining Committee to organize by selecting by lot from said twelve persons six persons who shall constitute a tentative committee in discipline. The investigating committee which preferred charges against the accused and the accused shall be notified of the time and place of such organization meeting, and shall have the privilege of attending such meeting and participating therein as hereinafter provided. In the trial of the case the investigating committee shall act as a prosecuting committee.

3. After such tentative Committee on discipline shall have been selected as aforesaid, the prosecuting committee shall have the right to exercise their peremptory challenges. Such challenges shall be exercised in the following order: The prosecuting committee shall exercise one and the accused two until each shall have exhausted it or his challenges. As soon as a member of the tentative committee shall have been challenged he shall be excused from the committee

and his place shall be filled by lot from those of the twelve persons not theretofore selected.

4. When the prosecuting committee and the accused shall each have exhausted the challenges allowed to it or him respectively, or when neither desire to exercise any more challenges to which it or he may be entitled under the provisions hereof, then the tentative committee, as it then exists, shall constitute the committee on discipline for the trial of the accused upon the charges and specifications formulated by the committee of investigation.

5. When the Committee on Discipline shall have been finally selected as hereinbefore provided, and before proceeding upon the trial of the accused, it shall organize by selecting from its members a president who shall preside at its sessions and a secretary, and it shall adopt such plans and rules of procedure as it may deem desirable to facilitate the trial.

ARTICLE VI

CONGREGATIONS

1. When a vacancy in a pastorate occurs, the Church Council shall arrange for consultation with the President of Synod as soon as possible to receive his advice and counsel concerning the selection of a pastor and pastoral supplies during the vacancy.

2. Only one candidate for a pastorate shall be proposed for election and voted upon at any one congregational meeting.

3. Any vacant congregation or pastoral charge in arrears on account of salary of a former pastor shall be required to make satisfactory adjustment thereof before calling a successor.

4. In extending a call to a pastor, a congregation is expected to pay all necessary moving expenses.

5. When there is a vacancy in a pastroate at the time when the annual parochial report is to be submitted, the secretary of each congregation, or someone appointed by him, shall carefully and conscientiously fill out that report and send it to the Statistician by the date set by the Execuive Committee.

6. All necessary expenses incurred by the pastor and lay delegate of the parish in attending the conventions of the Synod and the conference should be borne by the parish they represent.

ARTICLE VII

REPORTS TO THE SYNOD

1. With the exception of the President's report, which shall cover his activities between the sessions of the Synod, all other reports, including financial statements, shall be conformed to the Synodical year.

2. All officers, committees, delegates to the United Lutheran Church in America, directors, and trustees shall present their reports, typewritten, double-spaced in duplicate, to the Secretary by a date designated by him to enable their inclusion in the printed pre-convention bulletin.

3. Every report shall be signed by a majority of those submitting it. Minority statements shall be signed by the entire minority dissenting.

4. The Secretary of Synod shall mail one copy of the pre-convention bulletin to each minister on the Synodical roll and one additional copy for the use of the lay delegate of each parish at least two weeks before the regular convention of Synod.

5. The Executive Committee is authorized to require that all financial reports shall be audited by an accredited accountant before presentation to the Synod. All financial statements submitted to the Synod shall be in such form as to show clearly and separately both current operating accounts, and capital accounts. There shall be presented in each case a balance sheet showing resources and liabilities in reasonable detail..

6. Any board or committee of Synod presenting a recommendation for action by the Synod aside from those contained in the pre-convention bulletin shall place it in the hands of all delegates in writing at least one day before the action can be taken..

ARTICLE VIII

STANDING COMMITTEES

1. The President is authorized to appoint the following additional standing committees:

(a) Foreign Missions
(b) Stewardship and Beneficence
(c) Lutheran Students
(d) Midland Assembly
(e) Church Music
(f) Boys' Work
(g) Congregations and Parishes
(h) Publicity
(i) Pastors' Salaries
(j) Necrology
(k) Parish Education

2. The Secretary of Synod shall be the Archivist of Synod, whose duty shall be to assemble valuable and interesting data concerning the Synod and its congregations.

7. All committees incurring expenditures beyond those specifically approved by the Synod or involved in one annual meeting shall submit a budget to the Executive Committee, which it must approve before any further expenditures may be contracted.

ARTICLE IX

CONVENTION COMMITTEES

1. Committee of Reference and Counsel

a. There shall be a Committee of Reference and Counsel to be appointed by the President of each convention of the Synod.

b. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider all matters not provided for in the official program of the Synod; to decide as to the presentation of any resolutions not directly related to the order of the day; to arrange for the hearing of representatives visiting the Synod; and to assist the President in every way indicated by him in the conduct of the Synodical convention.

c. If the Committee of References and Counsel on reasonable request fails to report on any resolution or other matter referred to it, the Synod may, by a majority vote, proceed to consider such resolution or matter.

2. The following convention committees shall be appointed by the President for each convention of the Synod.

(a) A Committee on President's Report
(b) A Committee on Resolutions
(c) A Committee on Absences and Excuses
(d) A Committee on Minutes
(e) A Committee on Credentials

ARTICLE X

BENEVOLENCES

The Treasurer shall remit to the funds included in the Synodical budget a percentage of all receipts for the apportioned benevolence equal to the proportionate share of each in the budget.

ARTICLE XI

MINUTES

After the Committee on Minutes has examined the printed minutes of the last convention of the Synod, and made marginal corrections, if any, and added typewritten inserts of any matters withheld from the printed minutes at the page of such omission, the Secretary shall present two such copies of the printed minutes certified by himself and the President, to the next regular convention of Synod to become the protocol of the convention to which it pertains. One copy shall be retained in the synodical offices. The other copy shall be placed in the archives of the Synod.

ARTICLE XII

RULES OF ORDER

In all cases not specified otherwise in the Constitution and these By-Laws, Robert's Rules of Order shall govern this body.

ARTICLE XIII

Amendments to these By-Laws may be made at any session of the Synod by a majority vote provided that every such amendment shall have been submitted in writing at a previous session.

The Executive Committee presented the following recommendation in addition to those in the Convention Pre Print.

1. That the proposed By-Laws be submitted to the Conferences for study and the results referred to the Executive Committee who shall report back to the next session of synod.

2. That the Synod approve the four amendments to the constitution of the United Lutheran Church in Ameica as submitted to us.

ARTICLE XII. COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION

Section 1: Substitute the following for the present Section 1 of Article XII: (1948 ULCA Minutes, pp. 319, 344.)

"Section 1. A Commission of Adjudication shall be established to which shall be referred, for interpretation and decision, all disputed questions of doctrine and practice. The Commission shall constitute a court for the decision of those questions of principle or action which arise withn The United Lutheran Church in America and which are properly referred to it by resolution OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA OR OF ANY SYNOD, WHICH HAS PROPERLY REFERRED ANY QUESTION TO THE COMMISSION, MAY COMMIT TO ITS OWN AD INTERIM EXECUTIVE BODY THE PRECISE AND FORMAL STATEMENT OF SUCH QUESTION. SUCH EXECUTIVE BODY MAY ALSO, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA OR FOR AND ON BEHALF OF ITS SYNOD, MAKE DIRECT AND APPROPRIATE REFERENCE TO THE COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION OF ANY JUDICABLE QUESTION WHICH HAS ARISEN AFTER THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE LATEST CONVENTIONOF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA OR OF ITS SYNOD AND WHICH DEMANDS PROMPT ADJUDICATION."

Section 3: Substitute the following for the present Section 3 of Article XII: (1948 ULCA Minutes, p. 768.)

"Section 3. The Commission shall elect its own officers, and shall meet at least ANNUALLY for the transaction of business. When it holds meetings, or renders decisions, due notice of the time and place of meeting shall be given by its secretary to all persons interested, and notice of the time and place of SUCH meetings shall be published in the OFFICIAL Church papers."

ARTICLE XIII.—BOARDS

Section 2: Strike the period at the end of the first sentence thereof and insert a comma in its place, and add to the sentence

the following words: "except that, of the number to be elected to the Board of Pensions and Relief each biennium, two of the lay members thereof shall be nominated and elected by the Executive Board of the Church." Section 2, after amendment, would read as follows: (1948 ULCA Minutes, pp. 756, 757.)

"Section 2. All members of boards shall be elected by The United Lutheran Church in America EXCEPT THAT, OF THE NUMBER TO BE ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF EACH BIENNIUM, TWO OF THE LAY MEMBERS THEREOF SHALL BE NOMINATED AND ELECTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE CHURCH. Vacancies occurring in any board ad interim shall be filled by the Executive Board of the Church on nomination of the board in which the vacancy exists. No person shall be a member of more than one board, including the Executive Board, shall be a member of the Commission of Adjudication; but the President of the United Lutheran Church shall at all times have a seat and a voice in all boards and in the Commission of Adjudiction."

ARTICLE XV.—AFFILIATED CHURCHES

Add the following new Article XV to the Constitution and renumber the present Article XV as Aticle XVI: (1948 ULCA Minutes, pp. 112, 336.)

Article XV. _Affiliated Churches

"Section 1. Any Evangelical Lutheran Church which has been fostered by the Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America, and which has accepted this Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II, and whose constitution has been approved by the Executive Board, may be received into relationship with The United Lutheran Church in America as an Affiliated Church by a majority vote at any regular convention.

"Section 2. Each Affiliated Church shall be entitled to representations of The United Lutheran Church in America by two representatives chosen in such manner as the constitution of the Affiliated Church may specify. These representatives shall be entitled to seat and voice but shall have no vote in the Conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America.

"Section 3. (a) Affiliated Churches shall welcome and receive the counsel of The United Lutheran Church in America as such counsel is offered to them through the United Lutheran Church in conventions assembled, the Executive Board, or the Board of Foreign Missions.

"(b) The United Lutheran Church in America shall manifest interest and solicitude in the life and development of the Affiliated Churches with concern for their special problems, aspirations and needs."

3. That the Synod approve the Fritschel plan for Exchange of

parishes, and it be accepted as a policy, subject to the action of the President and the Executive Committee of Synod in compliance with the wishes of the church or churches involved.

4. That the following resolutions submitted by CHEY Committee be adopted by our synod.

RESOLVED,

That The Nebraska Synod accept the total quota of $92,000. indicated for it in the Christian Higher Education Year Plan adopted by the 1948 Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America.

That The Nebraska Synod approve the distribution of its quota to the institutions of this Synod as follows: Midland College, $77,700; Central Seminary $10,500, and the Special Aid Fund $3,800.

That The Nebraska Synod empower its Executive Committee to select such committees as may be necessary for the successful completion of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal.

That, in order to aid this Synod to achieve complete success in all phases of its Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, donors are encouraged to contribute their monies to the general quota of the Synod rather than to the designated institutions or the Special Aid Fund.

That the Nebraska Synod calls upon its members and pastors to give enthusiastic support and to offer constant and sustained prayers for the success of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal.

5. That synod approve the plan for final settlement of financial matters pertaining to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Omaha, now disbanded. The Executive Committee recommends that fifty percent of the total amount received is to be retained by the Home Mission Committee of Synod and the balance divided as follows: seventy-five percent to Grace Lutheran Church, Omaha and twenty-five percent to Luther Memorial Church, Omaha.

6. The Executive Committee recommends that Synod grant President Schuldt $1000.00 out of the 1949 budget toward the purchase of a new automobile.

The Executive Committee gives notice of the following amendmemnt to be submitted at the next Convention of Synod. Amend Article Six, Section II, A. 1—the words "and secretary" be inserted following the word "President."

It was moved, seconded and carried that Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, be adopted.

It was moved, seconded and carried that recommendation No. 6 be amended, granting President Schuldt $1,200.00 toward the purchase of a new automobile.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Executive Committee consider a plan of yearly grants for the purchase of a President's Home and report before the close of this convention.

A committee was appointed to consider the matter of assisting in present financing of mortgage on President's home.

Ministerium **11:30 A. M.**

The session of the Ministerium was opened at 11:30 A. M. The Examining Committee presented its report and by motion, seconded and carried was accepted including all recommendations.

Report of the Examining Committee

The following men have received calls from congregations in the Synod, and having presented the proper credentials from sister Synods are hereby recommended for reception into the Evangelical Synod of Nebraska:

Arthur E. Kramer, called to the Mission in Bellevue, presented letter of transfer from the Pacific Synod.

James C. Suter, called to the Trinity, Stamford, presented letter of transfer from the Pacific Synod.

H. Jacob Swingle, called to Kountz Memorial, Omaha, as assistant, presented letter of transfer from the Ohio Synod.

Ralph E. Rangler, called to Trinity, Beatrice, presented letter of transfer from Kansas Synod.

Carlos Guzman, called by the Synodical Home Mission Committee to serve the Mexican Mission in Omaha, presented letter of transfer from Texas Synod.

The name of E. F. Rohlfing has been dropped from the roll of Synod because he has entered secular work and has voluntarily submitted his ordination papers to the President of Synod.

It is further recommended that:

1) the name of Walter Motzkus be dropped from the roll of Synod. Mr. Motzkus has entered secular work and cannot be located.

2) the name of George Moeller be dropped from the Synodical roll. His name currently appears on the roll of the Synod of the Northwest.

April 25, 1949. Respectfully submitted,
J. ERNEST MESSER, Sec. Protem.

Moved, seconded and carried that the Examining Committee study the problem facing us regarding members of Synod serving on Territory of other synods and that the committee report back at the next session of Synod.

Meeting adjourned.

Tuesday **2:00 P. M.** **April 26**

The Devotions were conducted by the Chaplain of Synod.

The Roll was called. Forty-two pastors and thirty-one lay delegates were present.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The minutes of the Ministerium session were read and approved.

President Schuldt received formally the following pastors by transfer: Pastors Arthur E. Kramer, James C. Suter, H. Jacob Swingle, Ralph E. Rangeler and Carlos Guzman.

Elections conducted at this time resulted as follows: Secretary, Dr. Alfred W. Young; Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood; Statistician, the Rev. R. V. Davis.

The Rev. A. H. Pinkall presented the report of Midland Trustees. President W. Hieronymus spoke about the work Midland College is doing.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF MIDLAND COLLEGE AND WESTERN SEMINARY

For the School Year 1948-1949

MIDLAND COLLEGE

The beginning of a new school year — another God-given opportunity to serve the flower of our youth — and through them the Church and her Lord! This is Midland's great mission and the high privilege of everyone who serves our College.

Officers of the Corporation

The present officers of the corporate Board are: President, Dr. A. W. Young, Omaha, Nebr.; Vice-president, the Rev. W.W. Klover, Salina, Kansas; Secretary, the Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, Lincoln, Nebr.; Treasurer, Mr. Bernard V. Beeson, Fremont, Nebr.

Officers of the College

The officers of the College are: President, Dr. W. P. Hieronymous; Dean, Prof. Herman Gimmestad; Treasurer and Business Manager, Mr. Bernard V. Beeson.

Our Students

During the current school year the enrollment is the largest in Midland's history, namely 519 students, including 33 in the Study Center courses. As during the past few years, the men greatly outnumber the women. There are 162 veterans. Two hundred sixty-eight of our regular students are members of the Lutheran Church—this is 58% of the total, a gain of 2% over the last few years. It is interesting to note that of the students attending Midland from outside of Fremont, 69% are of the Lutheran faith. But all of the major denominations are represented in the student body. The grand total enrollment, including 304 students in the Summer Session of 1948, is 823.

We are happy to report that there are **42 young men preparing themselves for the Gospel Ministry** and at least **5 young women who have full-time Church work in view.** The large number of pre-theo-

logical students would indicate an increasing enrollment in the Seminary and a larger number of greatly needed pastors in our vacant parishes in the near future.

Never has the student body been as cosmopolitan as during the present school year. The students hail from the following states: California, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas and the District of Columbia.

There are 12 foreign students from the following six countries: Norway, Finland, Liberia, British Guiana, Puerto Rica and India.

Our Staff

In spite of the shortage of good teachers, in quality our present staff is one of the best in the history of the College. We welcome the following new members: Joe C. Allen, part-time instructor in physical education and assistant coach; Bernard V. Beeson. treasurer and business manager; G. E. Bentz, field secretary; Luther Heller, B. A., part-time assistant to the publicity director; Nonda Herman, B. A., instructor in business; Marguerite Kaufman, B.L.S., B.A., librarian; Rev. Adolph Kloth, B.A., B.D., part-time instructor in Greek; S. C. Larson, Ph.D., professor of mathematics; Mrs. Bertha Monnich, B.A., assistant librarian; O. H. Zabel, M.A., assistant professor of history; Marguerite W. Jeserich, Ph.D., professor of biology.

It was necessary for health reasons to give Miss Mildred Kies, head of the Business Department, a year's leave of absence. We are looking forward to her return next September with renewed vigor and strength.

Spiritual Emphasis

Midland is a liberal arts college "of the Church, by the Church and for the Church." Every effort is made by means of the Christian instruction, the regular chapel services, and the spiritual atmosphere of the campus to strengthen the student's faith and sanctify his life. The particular claim of Christ and of the Church upon the life of youth was forcefully presented to our students during Christian Emphasis Week last October when Pastor C. H. Zeidler of Appleton, Wis., was the speaker.

Academic Standing

Midland is fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, as well as by the State Department of Education and by the University of Nebraska. After a recent inspection of our College by the Nebraska Board of Educational Examiners, President Hieronymous received a letter from the Chairman of the Board in which he gave high praise and commendation on Midland's excellent educational program.

Operational Finances

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

(COMBINED COLLEGE AND SEMINARY)

August 23, 1947 to May 31, 1948

Income			
Educational and General		$ 93,899.68	
Endowment Investments		6,452.09	
Gifts and Grants		62,758.36	
Sales and Services		2,855.93	
Other Income		4,582.70	
Auxiliary Enterprises		122,568.69	
Toal Income			$293,117.45
Disbursements			
Educational and General			
Administration	$48,449.95		
Instructional	96,537.33		
Library	7,304.82		
Plant Op. & Maint.	27,089.98		
Services Rendered	3,105.28		
		$182,487.36	
Auxiliary Enterprses		110,359.75	
Other Non-Educational Expense		5,963.58	
Total Disbursements			$298,810.69
Operating Loss			$ 5,693.24
Less: Increase in Book Store Inv.			$ 3,420.64
Deficit			$ 3,420.64

This is mainly a paper deficit. Since the fiscal year was changed from June 1 to May 31, the above report covers only about nine months. A full 12 months' report would have enabled us to close our books with a small favorable balance.

We are deeply grateful for the increased interest and the splendid support received from th Nebraska Synod. We shall endeavor to merit this through better service. In order to secure and to uphold the best qualified teachers and professors, it will be necessary to increase our salaries during the coming school year. Certain expensive repairs on our old Administration Building and on the Science Hall are an absolute necessity. Of the total allotment of $1.40 per communing member, the Executive Committee has decided to grant Midland $1.10 and the Seminary 30 cents for the rest of this year. beginning June 1. We respectfully petition the Synod to grant Midland $1.20 per member during 1950 and the Seminary 35 cents.

CHEY

Undoubtedly the most important matter before the Synod is the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal approved by the ULC convention by an overwhelming majority last October. Since the Board of Education will have a special representative to present this matter and make a report, we shall not say much about it here. Chris-

tian Higher Education — the training of pastors, missionaries, and other leaders — represents "the life blood of the Church." As far as Midland and the Seminary are concerned, we know that the need is immediate and it is urgent. To meet the real needs of Midland, for instance, we should have more than twice the amount of money suggested for our College. We earnestly pray and hope, therefore, that our Synod will wholeheartedly approve the goals set up and will bend every effort to their achievement. It is unthinkable that we should fail our College and Seminary, for that would be a matter of failing our youth, our Church, and our Lord.

Midland's Needs

Immediate and Urgent:	
Library-Administration Building (Offices only)	$ 250,000
Wing on Beegle Hall (girls' dormitory)	100,000
Additional Campus Space for Buildings	40,000
President's Residence	22.500
Recreation Field for Tennis, Soft Ball, etc.	12,000
Remodeling of Administration Bldg. and Science Hall	75,000
Landscaping the Campus	26,000
TOTAL	$ 525,000
Other Needs:	
Chapel and Music Conservatory	$ 200,000
Student Union Building	150,000
Increased Endowment	500,000
GRAND TOTAL	$1,375,500

WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Western Seminary opened its current academic year on August 31, 1948. Fifteen regular students and one special student enrolled for the first semester. The fifteen regular students continued through the second semester, but the special student discontinued his work due to his moving off the territory.

The academic program has been effectively carried on by the faculty. Since Professor R. R. Syre had completed his residence work for his doctorate at the University of Nebraksa, he resumed his work as head of the Biblical Department. Professor Syre is now working on his doctor's dissertation. In addition to the regular program, many special speakers have given lectures to the student body.

Another successful Life Service Retreat was held the latter part of October, 1948. A fine group of high school young men were challenged by the stimulating messages delivered by the Rev. Carveth P. Mitchell, Mansfield, Ohio, and the Rev. Paul deFreese, Hooper, Nebr. The program also included Bible study under Professor Syre, devotional services and recreation.

Supply work for faculty and students has been heavy due to the many vacant congregations on our territory. There is great need to "pray the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth laborers into His harvest."

On May 4, 1949, five seniors will be graduated, but we ought to have 25 graduating to meet the needs of our supporting Synods.

A tape recorder has been added to the Seminary's equipment. This recorder has been used to good advantage in connection with the course in practical homiletics. A record player has also been purchased.

The Seminary boasted a fine basketball team this year, ranking high in the Purple Key League. A tennis court on the Seminary campus will also soon be a reality.

A Seminary Octet has also filled several singing engagements.

Many individuals and groups have remembersd the Seminary with special cash gifts. Others have been generous in sending gifts of food to the student body.

On June 1, 1949, Central Lutheran Seminary will begin to operate as the legal successor to Western Theological Seminary. The Central Lutheran Seminary Board of Trustees held its first meeting on January 19, 1949. The necessary steps were taken to secure a Charter, a faculty, and to set up the budget for the new Seminary Another meeting of the Board will be held late in May.

The esprit de corp among faculty and students has been on a very high level. The increased interest shown by the constituency in the work of the Seminary is deeply appreciated. The Seminary staff seeks to serve the Church in an ever larger way.

RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend to the Synod that—

(1) Midland College be placed upon the Synodical apportionment for the coming year in the amount of $1.20 and the Central Lutheran Seminary in the amount of 35 cents each per communing member.

(2) The Nebraska Synod wholeheartedly approve the plan for the CHEY appeal and accept the assignments as proposed by the Executive Board and the Board of Education and endorsed by the UCLA.

Respectfully submitted,

Your Trustees:
A. H. PINKALL
A. E. HECKER
J. B. RUPLEY
S. A. WASSUM

REPORT OF CENTRAL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The organizational meeting of the Central Lutheran Theological Seminary was held at Western Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska on January 19th, beginning at 10 a.m. The members of the Board of Directors present were Schwertz, Boldt, Wm. Eller, Search, Baird, J. J. Wolff, T. J. C. Schuldt, Krebs, Moessner, Eastlack, Soker, L. deFreese. The following were excused for valid reasons: Beasom, Steinhoff, Bracher, and Speaker.

Dr. Alfred Young presided until the election of officers which resulted as follows: Krebs, President; Soker, Vice-President; Moessner, Secretary; Henry Hendriksen, Treasurer.

Dr. Gould Wickey of the ULCA Board of Education and Dr. W. P. Hieronymus of Midland College brought greetings and gave a brief message. The Constitution approved by the supporting Synods and Board of Education was adopted. A report by the Seminary Assests Committee was given on the assets of the Seminary and adopted. The Board considered the Budget for the fiscal year 1949-1950; it was moved, seconded, and carried that it be adopted.

The elected members of the Executive Committee are Krebs, Soker, Moessner, Hendriksen, Schwertz, Eller, Baird and deFreese. All Standing Committees were appointed.

The Charter or Articles of Incorporation were drawn up and accepted. The following men from Dodge County, Nebraska, were asked to be the incorporators of the Charter: H. A. Gunderson, F. C. Schuldt, Edgar Havekost, Glenn Ferguson, Herman Stelk, John Niebaum, John Schole, Henry Tank, John Wollmer, G. P. Krebs, L. C. Soker, and Paul Moessner.

The Board will next meet on May 25, 1949 at 1:30 p.m. at the Seminary.

Respectfully submitted

GEORGE P. KREBS, Synodical Trustee

Mrs. Lad Skocpol spoke to synod about the Midland Women.

Dr. T. D. Rinde brought reports on Western Seminary.

Dr. E. B. Keisler was introduced and spoke about the needs of the Central Lutheran Seminary.

The Rev. Ross Hidy spoke to synod about the present status of the Displaced Persons Program in the Lutheran Church.

The session was adjourned with prayer by Chaplain Harvey Clark.

Tuesday Evening **Synodical Banquet.** **6:30 P. M.**

On Tuesday evening at 6:30 P. M. Synod was entertained at a banquet arranged by the host pastor and congregation. Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton was the speaker of the evening.

Wednesday **8:45 A. M.**

Devotions were conducted by the chaplain of synod.

The Roll was called with forty pastors and twenty-six lay delegates present.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented the following rcommendations.

1. That Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer speak in connection with Midland Assembly at the morning session.
2. That the Special Committee, Pastor Harvey Clark, Chairman report following the Midland Assembly report.
3. That we move into the business of the afternoon session immediately should the morning business be completed ahead of scehudle.
4. That Roll Call be omitted at opening of afternoon session.
5. That Minutes of closing session be referred to the Executive Committee for approval.
6. That the afternoon session begin at 1:30 P. M.

Report of the Tellers. The following elections were reported:

Executive Committee: Pastors W. A. Klink, W. H. Traub and laymen: Mr. A. T. Yost and Mr. Edgar Havekost.

Home Missions Committee: Pastors A. H. Pinkall, L. H. Lesher, P. W. H. Frederick; laymen, M. Paul Palmquist and Mr. W. W. Kuenning.

Foreign Mission Committee: Pastors H. Dumler, R. R. Pfeiffer, John Jacobs; laymen, Mr. O. L. Sturtevant and Mr. A. T. Yost.

Social Missions Committee: Pastors F. W. Henkel, Paul de Freese, J. C. Miller, laymen, Mr. Marius Christensen and Mr. Harold Wochmer.

Midland College Trustees: The Rev. A. H. Pinkall, 1949-1953 and Mr. A. E. Hecker, 1949-1953.

Tabitha Home Trustees: Dr. L. H. Lesher, 1949-1952 and Mr. H. G. Wellensiek, 1949-1953.

The Report of the Stewardship Committee was presented by the Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer. Moved, seconded and carried that recommendations be adopted.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Since God is the creator of all things it naturally follows that He is the owner of all things. If we examine intently the Bible we shall discover in a very short time that this thought runs through all its pages. Whether we want to or not, we must acknowledge that it is a truth that all things belong to God.

What are some of the Scripture passages that have anything to say about ownership and stewardship? All of us know the very

first line of the Bible: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." The writer of the Book of Chronicles says: "All things come of Thee, and, of thine own have we given Thee." David writes in one of his Psalms these words: "The earth is the Lord's and they that dwell therein." In still another place the Psalmist writes: "Every beast of the forest is Mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills." Haggai says: "The silver is mine, and gold is mine." Ezekial says: "Behold, all souls are mine." We see then that when men believe that all the material things are theirs and that their souls are their own, it is false. All things belong to God and are not to be used as men might please. All things are to be used for the glory of God's name. That this is true can be seen by observing what Paul says. In writing to the Corinthians one day he said: "What! Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which you have of God, and that you are not your own? For you are bought with a price; therefore God — in your body and in your spirit — which are God's. Paul recognized God's ownership and this further is seen in what he writes to the Colossians: "For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are on the earth, visible and invisible. All things were created by Him and for Him."

God is the owner and he has entrusted to man material things to be used for His glorification. The tragedy with so many is that they think that they are the owners. One experience will bring out the point we have in mind. In talking to a certain man regarding his soul we ventured with these words: "We are God's children and God is concerned about our welfare, not only our souls but also material things." "Huh, all I got I earned by the sweat of my brow." These remarks by this man go to show the mistaken idea he had about God ownership and that man has been entrusted to use material things in the right way.

Man's ownership is a pagan philosophy. It says: Let him who has the power to take, take. Let him who has the power to keep, keep. Strange to say, this philosophy is rampant in the world today. Only as we are willing to acknowledge God as the owner will we humble ourselves and exalt Him.

When we see the Scriptural teaching of God-ownership we will not refuse to give God first place in our lives. If we still insist that all we have has been earned by the sweat of the brow we are seeing ourselves first and when that is done the thought of God has disappeared from our minds entirely. When such a thought continues, grief always follows; Look at the Rich Fool; the Rich Young Ruler; the Prodigal Son and Dives. None would acknowledge God as owner and all came to grief.

But, can we not have some material things? Jesus never condemned riches as such. He spoke about the dangers of riches. That a person might become so absorbed in temporal things; that he would become so self-satisfied and self-centered that he would lose the true worth of God-given blessings. When that happens, God will be forgotten as the one who has created all things. The net result is that sympathy for our fellowman is all but ruled out of the picture.

Are we not partners with God? We working with God and God working for us. Using the word Foreman reverently, He gives the

orders for the things He wants done. It is He that supplies us with the things that are essential in carrying on. Workers together with God building the Kingdom. What a glorious Company.

W. A. KLINK

The report of the Home Missions Committee was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher.

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Your committee gratefully acknowledges the conscientious effort of both pastors and congregations who have been working in co-operation with it. Not only is it our purpose to be alert for opportunities for the development of new fields but also to undergird and strengthen existing work as may seem advisable.

It is noteworthy that another of our mission congregations has become self-supporting. Luther Memorial congregation, Omaha, which has been receiving support from both the Board of American Missions and our Synod, became self-supporting as of Jan. 1, 1949. Pastor Most and his congregation are to be commended for the rapid and steady growth of this work and their planning for its future development.

The fine development of the field at Messiah, Broadwater, has resulted in the erection of an attractive new church. One year from the date of Pastor Simon's first visit to this field, the new church was dedicated on August 22, 1948. The very adequate facilities now at the disposal of the congregation indicate the fruitfulness of the work being done under capable leadership and also point to a promising future.

In noting the progress of the various fields we direct your attention also to Emmanuel, Hampton. Pastor Rupley has been called upon to minister to the Danish congregation just north of Hampton, along with the Emmanuel congregation. This arrengement speaks commendably of the confidence placed in Pastor Rupley's leadership by the people of the community. In view of this circumstance, the support formerly given by Synod to the Hampton field is no longer necessary.

Fine development is also taking place at United, Spencer. Under the capable direction of Pastor Anderson much needed material improvements have been added both to the church and parsonage. While this has been done the work of the church has not been overlooked. Services are increasingly well attended and there are good prospects for continued growth.

A necessary stride forward was taken by First, Wilber, in the acquiring of a new parsonage. The experienced and proven leadership of Pastor Cordts enables us to join the Wilber congregation in looking confidently to the continued and future development of this congregation's influence in the community.

One of the pressing needs of Immanuel, Bellevue, is for the erection of a new church. The present basement facilities are not adequate for the needs and development of this work and constitute

a real handicap. It is hoped that soon the devoted effort of Pastor Kramer and the interest of his congregation will be implemented with the fulfillment of this need.

Although Trinity, Wolbach, is not a mission congregation, your committee notes with a great deal of satisfaction the care which this congregation has received from Dr. Harman, supply pastor. It would be a grave omission were we not to use this means of conveying to Dr. Harman the sincere appreciation of Synod for the faithful attention which he has given this work. His service has been of immeasurable value. .

We have noted with interest the activity of the Gethsemane Mexican Mission, Omaha. The devoted effort of Pastor Guzman and Miss Jesucita Velez, Parish Worker, has met with an encouraging response. The committee has requested the assistance of the Board of American Missions in observing this work with a view toward appraising its present program and future outlook. Both Pastor Guzman and Miss Velez, as well as the congregation, are to be commended for their enthusiastic effort and the progress which has been made.

Your committee wishes to express to the above named pastors and congregations its confidence in the work being done and also its appreciation for the cooperation which has been shown. Our gratitude is extended also to the Board of American Missions for its interest and helpfulness in the fields of our Synod..

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE J. C. SCHULDT, Secy.

The report of the Foreign Missions Committee was presented by the Rev. H. Dumler.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

No missionary was assigned to our Synod by the Board of Foreign Missions. Some congregations had Roland Payne, Liberia, Africa, who is a student at Midland College, speak at their services.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY DUMLER, Chairman

The report of the Committee on Social Missions was presented by the Rev. F. W. Henkel.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL MISSIONS

The Committee on Social Missions met three times during the year at Fremont, Nebraska.

Since the committee was assigned the work of enlightening the congregations of synod on Displaced Persons and encouraging

them to accept Displaced Persons in the congregation, the committee deemed it necessary to meet with the president of synod and the National Lutheran Council field man for D. P. resettlement work.

The committee sent out enlightening information and blanks for every pastor encouraging them to use the blanks and place at least one D. P. in every congregation of Synod.

The committee suggested that Pastor Wise, N. L. C. field man for D. P. Resettlement work, visit every congregation with a D. P. family when at all available. When a congregation sees and talks with a Displaced Person he becomes enlightened to their needs and the fear of some "foreigner" disappears. The committee further suggested that the Pastor Wise personally show "Answer for Anne" in every congregation.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. HENKEL
PAUL DeFREESE
PAUL DEFREESE
J. C. MILLER
MARIUS CHRISTENSEN
HAROLD WOCHNER

The program of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher.

Moved, seconded and carried that Membership of the Nebraska Synod in the Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska be approved with the condition that our financial participation be limited to $1600.00 in the Family-Child Care Department and $1,000 in the Chaplaincy Division, provided adequate service can be rendered.

The Report of the Tabitha Home Trustees was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher. Dr. O. Ebright, Executive Secretary of Tabitha Home spoke to synod about the progress and needs of Tabitha Home.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TABITHA HOME

This report for the year 1948 is for the sixty-second year in the history of Tabitha Home and the eighth annual report made by your Executive Director.

This year has been marked by peace and tranquility in the Home. The employment problem by which we were so harassed during the war and following years, has been greatly relieved. The support of the Home has been generous; God's blessings have been abundant; our scope of service has been enlarged. We believe the most noteworthy event of the year was the awarding on May 20, 1948, of the contracts for the construction of our new home. The completion and dedication of our building, which will be the culmination of years of prayers, pleadings and efforts by representatives of the Home, is the anticipated event of 1949.

During the year 1948 Tabith Home served 88 aged guests. Nine-

teen were received; eleven were dismissed; fifteen passed away. At the end of the year our aged numbered sixty-two. Of the total served through the year, 64 were Lutherans; 22 non-Lutherans. Thirty came to Tabitha from Lincoln or Lancaster County; 58 from outside of Lincoln.

Although we have experienced the Cooperative Lutheran Children's Welfare work to be quite costly financially, we feel that splendid progress has been made. A much larger field of service has been secured through our aid in branches of service rendered by other agencies, and of which we now have a definite part, such as: child placement, service to unmarried mothers, foster homes, and so forth. We have had direct case supervision from the Welfare Council since last September.

In the Children's Department there were 31 under our care at the beginning of 1948. During the year 23 new children were received, making a total served in the Home of 54; representing 27 different families. Twenty children were dismissed; leaving 34 under care at close of 1948. Of the children dismissed, 18 went into reestablished homes of one or both of their parents or into relative's homes. One was placed into an adoptive ULC home. One was placed into another child care institution. Of these 54 children served directly 40 were Lutheran or baptized Lutheran after entering Tabitha; 14 were non-Lutheran. Of the 23 children received. 11 were from Lincoln, 12 from outside Lincoln, including 5 from outside of Nebraska.

At the close of the year, the Boys' Department was filled, but there was room for 10 in the Girls' Home. This seems to be the same condition in the other Lutheran and state institutions in Nebraska this year. Of the children dismissed, one had been in the institution over 9 and one-half years.

In connection with and in addition to the above services, should be noted the numerous appointments, conferring and calls made to doctors, dentists, psychologists, psychiatrists, and schools in determining needs and helping to work out the problems of these children. Through these efforts we were able to learn one child was cerebral palsied and we arranged with local agencies for a private foster home placement. Another proved to be epileptic, and is still with us, but further plans await final reports on tests now being given by Dr. Dysinger, Psychologist. Other contacts were made to the Veterans' Administration which resulted in directing a disabled Veteran's compensation to the care of his five children now at Tabitha. Other definite efforts, and appointments resulted in the adoption of one of Tabitha's youngsters.

Many inquiries for placement, adoption, and for service to children either below or above our age of serving were directed to the Nebraska Lutheran Welfare office, or to other agencies as the case required. Other calls resulted in parents being helped to work out their own problems and to keep their children with them.

New Building

Following are the names of the contractors and the amount of contract:

W. J. Assenmacher	$300,105.00
Reinhardt Bros.	57,922.43
George Knapp	8,979.00
	367,006.43

Estimated expeditures:

Elevators	12,000.00
Architect	19,850.00
Kitchen Equipment	5,000.00
Chapel furniture	4,000.00
Room furniture	8,000.00
	48,850.00
Total Cost	$415,856.43

The new structure as it stands represents an expenditur of $140,052.95.

Following is the picture of the Building Fund. Acoording to the present audit there is in the Fund $306,818.27

Received since January 1	5,043.67
Remainder Koop Estate	20,000.00
Parli Estate	2,314.45
Buechner Estate	2,300.00
	336,476.39

One readily sees that if the new building is to be dedicated free from debt there must still be provided approximately $79,380.04.

General Support

The Church has maintained a loyal and generous support to the Home with both material and financial gifts. The number of quarts of canned fruit and vegetables received by the Home this year was the largest with one exception. In 1947 our total income for general expenses was $52,097.85; this year it was $55,691.97, making an increase for the year of $3,594.12.

Last year we added to our Building Fund $35,610.04; this year there was added $60,375.53. ($20,000 of this came from the Koop Estate.) These figures show that our support has been very good even though our people have been called upon to give heavily to the double apportionment appeal and Lutheran World Action.

IMMANUEL

God has been with us in a most remarkable way. He has opened the windows of heaven and poured out an abundant blessing! For the last several years, approximately $100,000 a year has been received. This year over $112,000! We have not yet attained; only through faith and prayer can the dream and prayer of years be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,
L. H. LESHER

The Rev. John Jacobs, Synodical Director for Lutheran World Acton presented his report:

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION COMMITTEE

Following are the 1949 Lutheran World Action Quotas for Congregations of the Nebraska Synod. The quota for our synod is $33,617.15, based on the 1947 Confirmed membership of 22,308. That establishes a quota of a fraction less than $1.51 per Confirmed member. The quota for each congregation is figured on the basis of $1.51 per Confirmed members.

Allen	$349	Omaha — First	616
Auburn	829	Omaha — Grace	328
Beatrice	202	Omaha — Kountze Mem.	7,218
Bellevue	94	Omaha — Luther Mem.	524
Benedict	213	Omaha — Redeemer	1,181
Broadwater	198	Omaha — St. Luke's	1,397
Columbus	183	Oshkosh	186
Dakota City — Emmanuel	32	Paxton	417
Dakota City — Salem	405	Ponca	471
Dalton	216	Potter	121
Davenport	432	Rising City	320
Eagle	110	Scribner	405
Emerson	528	Sidney	491
Falls City	1,104	Snyder	91
Fremont	1,439	South Sioux City	917
Grand Island	3,046	Spencer	128
Gurley	223	Stamford	240
Hampton	142	Stella	63
Hardy	165	Sutherland	51
Homer	525	Tekamah	264
Hooper	491	Vacoma	103
Hubbard	264	Verdon	302
Leigh	433	Walton	225
Lewellen	166	Wayne	634
Lincoln	1,341	West Point	482
McCool Junction	267	Wilber	264
Nebraska City	456	Wolbach	408
North Platte	1,650	York	337

The session was adjourned with prayer by the Chaplain.

Wednesday 2:00 P. M. April 27, 1949

Devotions were conducted by the Chaplain of Synod.

The Report of th Committee on Student Work in Non-Lutheran Schools was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher.

COMMITTEE ON STUDENTS IN NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

PERU

The work at this State Normal school has had one of its best seasons during the current year. The students gather each Wednesday evening for devotional program with appropriate study session

on vital topics of Christian life. The students are organized into an LSA group. There are 30 Lutheran students registered and the average attendance at the meetings is 18. The work is supervised by Pastor Henkel with two ALC pastors living in the area, assisting him. There are no Lutheran teachers on the faculty of the school at present. Pastor Henkel is available for counselling with the students from time to time. A program is maintained for the summer months when the attendance is even better due to less heavy social program in the school and a more mature student body.

WAYNE

The work at the State Teachers College is under the supervision of Pastor S. K. deFreese, with Pastor Shiery assisting. There are some 200 Lutheran students in attendance and meetings are held twice a month with average of 33. The Lutheran film "Salt of the Earth" and the film "Beyond Our Own" were shown and well received, the latter being presented to the entire school.

OMAHA—A Lutheran Student Association was organized in Omaha, April 22, 1949.

Lutheran Student Foundation, Inc., Lincoln

There are approximately 900 Lutheran students from the National Lutheran Council churches of Nebraska and adjoining states, attending the University, the College of Agriculture, business institutes, nurses training schools, and Wesleyan University. To these youth, the six National Lutheran Council congregations of the city and the Student Service Commission carry on a spiritual ministry.

The supporting organization for student work is the Lutheran Student Foundation. which represents the constituent church bodies of Nebraska. the local congregations, Lutheran alumni, faculty, and students. The Nebraksa Synod of the ULCA has been represented on the Board of Directors by Pastor Fred Kern. Pastor H. J. Goede is the newly elected member to the Board from this Synod.

Pastor Alvin M. Petersen is the Lutheran pastor to students. He is assisted by Miss Alice Otterness, a graduate student at the University, who serves as secretary and counsellor.

During 1948 the Lutheran Student Foundation acquired a building site for the Lutheran Student Center at the main campus of the University. It is strategically located in the center of the student residential area. Funds to purchase this valuable site were made available by the Student Center Fund of the National Lutheran Council. It is the hope of the Board of Directors of the LSF to erect this proposed center in 1950 or 1951..

Ministry to the students includes seven separate classes in Bible and Christianity; supervision of two Lutheran Student Association programs; fellowship meetings with two married groups, one at Huskerville (a student residential area); and a Graduate club. The two rented student centers, one at the main campus and one at the College of Agriculture, are well used by the students for fellowship and assemblies. Here Pastor Petersen and Miss Otterness also counsel with students. The LSA Choir of 40 voices represents the work by singing in congregations of the state of Nebraska. Recently three students were confirmed and three were baptized, two of them in Grace Church.

It is encouraging to report a growing number of students who are entering full-time service in the Lutheran church. The past summer a student personally financed his trip to Germany to help rebuild a school in Hamburg; one student has just gone to Germany to work for the Lutheran World Federation with DP's; two students plan to enter Lutheran seminaries this fall. One of these is ULCA. Last fall two graduates joined the staff of the Student Service Commission as women counsellors. Other students are making inquiry about full-time work in the church. Many students not only participate in the LSA but in the local congregations, where they serve in the choirs, Sunday School and Luther League. Their record of attendance at church services is above average.

The Lutheran Student Foundation, Inc., expresses its apprecia tion to the Nebraska Synod for its splendid support over the past years, and for its current interest and support in this important ministry to students in operation in the capitol city of our State.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
LELAND H. LESHER

The Rev. Alvin Petersen spoke about the work in Non-Lutheran Schools in Nebraska.

The following recommendations were presented:

1. That the amount of $600.00 be included in the budget for 1950 under Fixed Items. A motion to adopt carried.

2. That the Nebraska Synod approve and offer full support to the Lutheran Student Foundation in its project of building a Campus Student House at Lincoln. Financial support to be given at the conclusion of CHEY Appeal A motion to adopt carried.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief was presented by the Rev. K. Gigstad.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS AND RELIEF

In our Synod, 39 Pastors and 43 congregations are contributing in the Contributory Pension Plan.

Three retired Pastors and thirteen widows are receiving pensions under the non-contributory plan.

Respectfully submitted,
KARL GIGSTAD
HERMAN JOENS
ERNEST SWITZER
P. O. ANDERSON

The report of the Parish Life and Work Committee was presented by the Rev. Paul Wiegman.

THE PARISH LIFE AND WORK COMMITTEE

The purpose of the Parish Life and Work Committee is to make plans and devise ways of improving the work of the congregations in the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, to activate the var-

ious needs, causes, and agencies of the Church.

The committee is organized as follows:
General Chairman: Rev. Paul Wiegman

1. Departments:
   Chairman: Rev. A. H. Pinkall
   Members: Rev. F. W. Kern. Rev. W. F. Most. Miss Amanda Jorn, Miss Mary E. Marx, Miss Ella Braun.

   MEN OF THE CHURCH
   WOMEN OF THE CHURCH
   YOUTH OF THE CHURCH
   CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH

Plans are to hold an inspirational rally, or rallies, of the above-mentioned departments in the near future.

2. Church School:
   Chairman: Rev. H. J. Goede
   Members: Rev. J. H. M. Shiery, Rev. Raymond Bartels, Rev. K. Rupley, Mrs. John Lamberty.
   VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AND WEEKDAY CHURCH SCHOOL
   CATECHETICAL CLASSES

Plans are to hold Sunday School Conferences in each conference of Synod.

3. Leadership Education:
   Chairman: Rev. E. Switzer
   Members: Rev. Paul deFreese, Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer. Prof. Ralph Hankey. H. Bunge.

   CAMPS
   SUMMER SCHOOLS
   COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
   CONGREGATIONAL CLASSES
   INFORMAL LEADERSHIP
      a. Reading List
      b. Workers Conference
      c. Worker's Library
   CHURCH MUSIC (Choirs)

Plans include cooperation with the Parish and Church School Board in leadership improvement in 1949, and the promotion of community leadership schools.

Report of the Committee's Activity During 1948:

Inter-Lutheran Leadership Training Schools in Fremont, Omaha and South Sioux City.
Encouraged the use of the Christian Growth Series, the Augsburg Uniform Series, the Parish School Magazine.
Participated with the Midwest Synod in the Enlistment Program.
Urged observance of Parish Education Month.
Summer School (Midland Assembly) promoted and supervised by Rev. A. H. Pinkall, and Camp (Nebraska Luther League Camp) promoted and supervised by Rev. Paul de Freese, director.

Children of the Church continuously promoted by Miss Amanda Jorn and her committee. The committee has appointed a Children of the Church Secretary in each Conference of Synod to further this movement: Mrs. Howard Olson, Grand Island; Mrs. Donald Rasmussen, Hubbard; Miss Amanda Jorn. Released-time classes were held wherever possible. Fremont still continues its classes.

Youth Sunday celebrated in most congregations.

Regional Conference on Parish Education at Maywood in June, attended by Pastor T. J. C. Schuldt, F. W. Kern and J. H. M. Shiery. Delegates for the 1949 meeting at Maywood. Ill., June 14 and 15, in addition to the general chairman, are: Rev. A. H. Pinkall with Amanda Jorn, alternate; Rev. H. J. Goede, with Rev. Raymond Bartels, alternate; Rev. E. Switzer, with Rev. Paul de Freese, alternate.

Five Luther League District rallies held in the fall.

Rally of Nebraska and Midwest Synod youth to hear Miss Ilene Ufkes in Fremont and Omaha.

When we join in the activities of our Church with pride and faithfulness, the Church moves forward soundly and prosperously. May God help us to do the work of His Church together and it won't be too difficult for any of us. Remember, this is God's work.

The year 1949 has brought something so important to the FAITH and LIFE of our church that I feel it is my duty to call it to your attention.

I am referring, of course, to the newly revised LIGHT FOR TODAY. A copy of this booklet of daily meditations was mailed to every pastor, according to H. Torrey Walker, executive secretary, on December 27th. By now I am sure that you have examined your personal copy quite thoroughly. In fact, I am almost certain that you agree that publication of the booklet is an important first step in meeting the challenge of the ULC's "Committee on Faith and Life' report presented at the Philadelphia convention.

However, mere publication of such a booklet does not serve the Church unless it is used daily by the almost one million communing members that constitute our Church.

Helping LIGHT FOR TODAY gain this popular acceptance is a task that the Board of Publication cannot do alone. Frankly, they need our help in re-introducing this booklet throughout our Synod.

As an important first step in this program, therefore, we include this publication in my report to Synod. Permit me to mention briefly the scope of the publication.

Most devotional literature is not prepared according to a plan to fill the needs of the users. As we visualize the readers of "Light for Today," they are the heart core of lay people. They may not be the most prominent in our congregation, but those humble Christians who sincerely try to live the Christian life.

Secretary Walker informs me that when they reworked "Light for Today," they worked out a topical plan for the year and checked it with Dr. Seaman of the Common Service Book Committee who has a great gift of devotional writing hmself. This year of 1949 has as its theme "The Christian Life and the Individual."

Each writer, according to Secretary Walker, was supplied with a carefully prepared list of instructions such as, "Make the meditation vital, that, is, relate Scripture to life situations"; "Avoid theological cliches and use language that the laity understands"; "Don't try to include more than one idea in each meditation—better to drive home one nail a day than to try six and miss all."

Walker says, "We will not bat 100% this first year because we are trying out men reputed to have ability in this direction. Already we are beginning to eliminate. We will appreciate careful suggestions by your committee—it being our purpose to find about six men who can write simple but vital homilies for home use."

In 1950, the theme will be "The Word of God and the Christian" —as Secretary Walker says, "hoping to dwell on the precious promises and assurances which the humble Christian needs in these days."

I urge each pastor in the Nebraska Synod to study a copy carefully. Your recommendation will mean much to the eventual service that LIGHT FOR TODAY will render to our Church.

Respectfully,

PAUL WIEGMAN,

General Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH SCHOOLS

This sub-committee under the Parish Life and Work Committee has functioned mainly as a point of contact between the Board and the Synod in working out details of itineraries. Enlistment Demonstrations were set up in four areas of the state, the Nebraska and Midwest Synods jointly sponsoring the program. Reports from the Board Member Pastor Avery indicate that enrollment has increased in Church Schools participating in the Enlistment Demonstrations—in some instances a twenty five per cent increase.

Plans for additional Demonstrations in two areas were cancelled in January 1949. To replace this program, a series of Leadership Education Conferences is scheduled for November 1-15, 1949, the emphasis this year being on Leadership Training.

The Conference of Synodical Leaders in Parish Education was held in Chicago, June 15-16. Representatives from our Synod attending—Pastors Schuldt, Wiegman, Kern, Shiery.

Leadership Training Schools were conducted in Fremont, South Sioux City, and Omaha.

A District Sunday School Association meeting was conducted in Hastings in conjunction with a Luther League Rally. It is the plan of this Committee to encourage establishment of at least three area associations.

Following the 1948 meeting of Synod, this Committee was assigned the additional phases of Church School activity, namely, Vacation Bible School, Weekday Church School, and Catechetical Classes.

Respectfully submitted
HENRY J. GOEDE, Chairman

Report of the

LEADERSHIP EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

of the

PARISH LIFE AND WORK COMMITTEE OF SYNOD

This division of the Parish Life and Work Committee will co-operate whole-heartedly with the Parish and Church School Board in leadership improvement in this year 1949. This committee shall also promote community leadership schools.

Inter-Lutheran Leadership Training Schools were held at Fremont, Omaha, and South Sioux City in 1948.

Pastor R. R. Pfeiffer gave a report on our Summer School (Midland Assembly) at the meeting in Omaha with Dr. Wm. S. Avery on January 12, 1949.

Pastor Switzer reported on the Lutheran Leadership Training School held at Fremont, Oct. 17 through Nov. 21; and passed around one of the programs of the school for all to see. He exhibited also a set of six lectures for Adult Instruction prepared and used in October and November by Pastor Fred W. Kern.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST W. SWITZER, Chairman

REPORT OF THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

The Synodical Parish Life and Work Committee met and under the discussion of Women's Work, it was suggested that there be held Spiritual Rally Meetings for the women of Synod. It was felt that the Spring Conference of the Women's Missionary Society were, in a way, open to all women of the Synod.

The Chairman upon consulting with the Executive Committee of the W. M. S. on the possibility of combining the proposed all-women's spiritual rally and the spring conferences found that: the Executive Committee of the W. M. S. reports that the Spiritual Life Committee of the W. M. S. will send letters to all pastors of Synod encouraging them to urge all the women of their congregations to attend their respective Spring Missionary Conferences this May.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED W. KERN

REPORT OF THE MEN OF THE CHURCH

The Executive Committee of the Brotherhood intends to broaden the work of the Brotherhood in the State so as to reach all of the men of the church.

A suggestion was made of having a Men's Rally especially in localities where there are no Brotherhoods the latter part of May.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. PINKALL

REPORT OF THE YOUTH OF THE CHURCH

The Luther League of Nebraska Synod adopted a new constitution at their convention at Columbus, Nebraska, in August 1948. The Districts of the State were re-organized at that time and all districts are subject to the new constitution.

The place and atendance at all fall rallies were as follows:
Western at Gurley with 75 in attendance
North Eastern at Dakota City with 100 in attendance
Southern at Auburn with 70 in attendance
West Central at Hastings with 100 in attendance
East Central at Tekamah with 175 in attendance

This District recommends that our president, Miss Marialice Eckley, be sent as a delegate to the Roanoke Convention next August, 1949.

The Nebraska State Luther League is making progress numerically, as well as financially. The apportionment, Missionary and other quotas have been paid over 100 per cent to the National Luther League.

I recommend that the Synod consider paying part or all the expense of one delegate to the Roanoke Convention in August 1949, and that the Luther League of the Nebraska Synod pay the expenses of a second delegate.

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. MOST

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY OF SYNOD-OWNED CAMP

The committee met three times during the past year in Fremont. Members of the committee visited the following sites for camp site possibilities: Cotton Woods, Fremont, Nebr.; K. P. Park, Fremont, Nebr., Old Y. M. C. A. and Boy Scout camp near Louisville, Nebr.; two possibilities near York, Nebraska.

The committee recommends to synod that this committee be continued and bossibility sites investigated.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. HENKEL
W. S. HASEBROOCK
JOHN DIESTEL

REPORT OF LUTHER LEAGUE

The Annual Convention of the Luther League of the Nebraska Synod was held at Camp Sheldon, Columbus, Nebr., Aug. 15-20, 1948. The following officers were elected: President, Marialice Eckley, Tekamah; Vice-President. Shirley Hamilton, 1314 W. 6th St., North Platte; Recording Secretary, Quentin Marquardt, Nickerson; Corresponding and Statistical Secretary, Dorothy Young, 5823 Miami, Omaha; Treasurer, Luke Heckman, 2178 N. Clarkson, Fremont. The camp, under the dircetion of Rev. Paul De Freese, was an inspiration to all.

The convention made the following recommendations:

1. That the Plan for a Luther League Dircetory or Yearbook be put into immediate use.
2. That **The Lamplighter** be published monthly rather than bi-monthly.
3. That the President publish an officers' bulletin as often as is necessary, including in it reports from other Synodical officers.
4. That the National Missionary objective be continued for next year and the Executive committee be empowered to decide whether it goes to the China-Skeldon project or to the youth work in Germany.
5. That the offering taken at this convention be given to the Mexican Mission in Omaha.

The Executive committee of the Luther League of Nebraska met on the camp grounds August 18, 1948. The committee approved the President's appointment of the following standing committee chairmen: Education, Lois Stigile, Fremont; Life Service, Rev. Harvey Clark, Omaha; Missionary, Robert Kocher, Fremont; Stewardship, Donald Janke, Omaha; Extension, Rev. W. F. Most, Omaha; Intermediate, Rev. J. H. M. Shiery, Wayne; Publicity, Marjorie Ruwe, Fremont. The Executive committee held their second meeting August 19, 1948, on the camp grounds. A motion carried that the state league be divided into five districts as follows:

1. Northeast District: Allen, Dakota City, South Sioux City, Emerson, Wayne, West Point, Spencer, Homer, Hubbard, and Ponca.
2. East Central District: Hooper, Scribner, Leigh, Bellevue, Tekamah, Vacoma, Fremont, Rising City, Columbus, Omaha, (Grace, St. Luke's, Kountze Memorial, Luther Memorial, Our Redeemer, and First English).
3. South District: Auburn, Beatrice, Falls City, Hardy, Lincoln, Nebraska City, Stella, Verdon, Wilbur, Eagle, and Walton.
4. West District: North Platte, Oshkosh, Gurley, Broadwater, Sidney, Potter, Sutherland, Dalton, Stamford, and Paxton.
5. West Central District: Grand Island, Hastings, Davenport, York, McCool Junction, Benedict, Hampton and Wolbach.

I am very happy to report that all of these districts met in a fall rally. The Northeast District met at Dakota City with an at-

tendance of 100; East Central District met at Tekamah with an attendance of 175; South District met at Auburn with an attendance of 70; West District met at Gurley with an attendance of 75; and the West Central District met at Hastings with an attendance of 100. The statistics for this year have not been completed yet, but on the records I find we have 27 active leagues, 4 Young People's Leagues, 4 Intermediate Leagues and 19 Senior Leagues. On the new report I am sure we will have more Leagues accounted for. Field work has been done by Rev. W. F. Most, Rev. Paul Wiegman and myself.

The Luther League of America has adopted as its missionary project the responsibility of Youth Work in Germany. The Luther League of Nebraska is helping to support the project by buying bicycles for the Youth work in Germany.

A summary of the treasurer's report is as follows:

Balance on hand January 17, 1949:	
Apportionment	$ 59.15
Missionary Project	16.50
Special Gifts Fund	15.00
Total Expenditures	$ 90.65
Extension Fund	$103.00
Midland Project	18.00
Working Capital	60.00
Total Receipts	$181.50
	$90.65
Balance on Hand	$ 90.85

REPORT OF THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH

Our Nebraska Synod has again made a definite effort to improve the promotion of the Children of the Church program. Miss Mary Marx, 4210 N. 36th St., Omaha, was appointed at Synod last April, as an additional member on the Children of the Church Committee.

At the meeting, August 31, 1948, of the Parish Life and Work Committee, it was decided to appoint District Children of the Church Secretaries to help in the promotion of The Children of the Church program. The District divisions of the Synodical Women's Missionary Society are to be followed.

According to the annual report of the Children of the Church Treasurer, Miss Ella Braun, 715 N. Kimball St., Grand Island, the total offering for 1948 is $207.50.

Again we recommend:

1. To hold a Children of the Church Leader's Conference in connection with the annual Midland Assembly.
2. To encourage more weekly rather than monthly meetings of the Children of the Church.
3. A part-time worker to visit the local churches in the interest of the Children's Work.

We pray for your suggestions and assistance.

Sincerely submitted,

AMANDA JORN

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

In order to acquaint the organists and church choir directors of our churches in the Synod of Nebraska with the Lutheran Liturgy, chorales, and the finest in church music, and to provide for them the opportunity for special training as organists and choir directors:

Your committee has asked the Board of the Midland Assembly to consider the feasibility of offering a credit course under the direction of a musical expert in church music. This course to be included in the program for the Assembly of 1949 and to become a permanent feature of the Assembly courses.

We recommend the use of the suggested anthems for 1949 as given in the Year Book of the U. L. C. A. on page 38.

We recommend the use of the suggested pipe organ voluntaries for the church year as found on page 242 in the Year Book of the U.L.C.A., 1949.

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. MOST, Chairman
H. J. GOEDE
M. L. DOLBEER JR.

Mrs. L. Skocpol spoke as a representative of the Synodical Missionary Society.

The Rev. W. F. Most spoke in the interest of the Youth of the Church and the Luther League.

Moved, seconded and carried that Synod elect, through the Executive Committee, one delegate to the Roanoake Convention of the Luther League of Amrica.

The Leadership Education Program was presented by the Rev. Ernest Switzer.

Moved, seconded and carried that Synod underwrite the Luther League Camp period at Camp Sheldon, August 21-26 to protect the interests of Camp Sheldon in the event the camp period should be cancelled.

Moved, seconded, and carried that Recommendation No. 1 of Report of the Children of the Church be referred to the Midland Assembly Board.

Recommendation No. 2 of same report was adopted.

Recommendation No. 3 of same report was referred to the entire Committeeon Parish Life and Work.

The Rev. F. Henkel presented a report from the Committee to

Investigate the Possibility of a Synod Owned Camp.

By motion carried the following recommendation was adopted: That Synod give the State Brotherhood of Nebraska the authority to purchase and develop a camp site with permision to enter the synodical congregations in Nebraska for the purpose of raising the nesessary funds. The title of the camp site to be vested in the hands of Synod who will appoint a joint governing board composed of members of the Synod and the State Brotherhood.

Mr. A. E. Hecker was elected as a member of the Board of Trustees of Midland College for a four year term.

The Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer presented the Midland Assembly Program for 1949.

The Rev. W. F. Most presented the Report of the Committee on Church Music.

Moved, seconded and carried that Synod ask the Board of Midland Assmbly to include this year if possible, a course in Church Music, or conduct a music clinic under the direction of a musical expert in the interest of improving the music of worship services and to enlarge the appreciation of worshipful music.

The Tellers reported that the Rev. A. H. Pinkall was elected as a Trustee of Midland College for a four year term.

Moved, seconded and carried that Synod reimburse Pastor F. Henkel for expenses incurred in connection with Student Work in Non-Lutheran Schools, which the National Lutheran Council will not provide.

Moved, seconded and carried that the Student Committee request the National Lutheran Council to pay all expenses involved.

Recommendation of Special Committee: Recommended that Synod shall give President Schuldt during 1950 the equivalent of rent for Synod headquarters at the rate of $50.00 per month. Moved, seconded and carried that the recommendation be adopted.

Moved, seconded and carried that the following budget be adopted.

SECTION 1, Fixed Items

Salaries (President $4000.00, Secretary $150.00, Treasurer $150.00, Statistician $100.00)	$ 4,400.00
Midland College, $1.20 per Communing Member	17,607.00
Central Lutheran Seminary, $.35 per Communing Member	5,135.00
President's Travel Expense	825.00
Office Rent	600.00
Home Mission Committee	5,000.00
Beneficiary Education	500.00
Synodical Paper	750.00
General Expense Fund	600.00
Printing	300.00
U. L. C. Delegates	800.00

Student Work	600.00	
Young People's Campp	75.00	
Auditor's Fees	35.00	
Treasurer's Bond	10.00	
Committee on Parish Life and Work	300.00	
Promotion of Youth Work	300.00	
Lutheran Welfare Council		
Child Care	1,600.00	
Institutional Chaplaincy	1,000.00	
Total		$40,437.00

SECTION 2, The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church in America	$73,823.00	
Tabitha Home	7,352.00	81,175.00
		$121,612.00

APPORTIONMENT FOR 1950

Allen	$ 1006	Omaha Grace	1899
Auburn	3325	Omaha Kountze Memorial	20451
Beatrice	980	Omaha L. M.	2100
Bellevue	394	Omaha Redeemer	4143
Benedict	945	Omaha St. Lukes	5512
Broadwater	718	Oshkosh	473
Columbus	936	Paxton	1689
Dakota City Em.	79	Ponca	1759
Dakota City Salem	1190	Potter	560
Dalton	927	Rising City	1164
Davenport	1925	Scribner	1347
Eagle	376	Sidney	2336
Emerson	2468	Snyder	411
Falls City	4095	South Sioux City	2975
Fremont	6720	Spencer	569
Grand Island	11419	Stamford	1059
Gurley	998	Stella	192
Hampton	411	Sutherland	140
Hardy	551	Tekamah	1321
Homer	1041	Vacoma	420
Hooper	2573	Verdon	945
Hubbard	411	Walton	499
Leigh	1505	Wayne	2984
Lewellen	516	West Point	2791
Lincoln	5381	Wilber	569
McCool Junction	1155	Wolbach	1050
Nebraska City	1505	York	1137
North Platte	5433	Total	$121613
Omaha First	2135		

Committee on President's Report offered the following report:

The Report of your President along wth the other reports of Synod give evidence that the congregations of Synod have received new life and vitality during the past year.

Your committee is happy to note that last year thirty-two congregations met their quota in Benevolence Apportionment whereas this year thirty-six paid 100% and 200%—that last year twenty-six congregations paid their L.W.A. quotas whereas this year twenty-eight congregations paid their quotas in full.

Your Committee asks the pastors to alert themselves to the mission of the church suggested in the last paragraph and also the last sentence in the second papragraph of the President's report,

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. HENKEL
P. H. PALMQUIST
A. O. DAHLQUIST.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by The Rev. E. C. Mortensen.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND GREETINGS

Your committee takes pleasure in submitting the following:
BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we record our gratitude to God for His divine blessing upon the labors of His servants the past year.
2. That we as a Synod have greatly enjoyed and been inspired by the versatility, freshness, and consecration of Dr. Clarence Stoughton, the official representative from the United Lutheran Church in America.
3. That we express our sincere appreciation to Pastor Henry Dumler, the Church Council, the Congregation, and especially the women who were responsible for the fine meals. The pastor and Christ Lutheran Church have done a fine job in their hospitality and courtesies to Synod and its visitors.
4. That we record our deep appreciation of the services of the officers of our Synod the past year. They have freely given of themselves in the interest of the church.
5. That we express the appreciation of Synod of the fine devotional leaderhsip of our chaplain, Rev. Harvey Clark.
6. That we have greatly appreciated the presence and greetings of the President of the Kansas and the President of the Mid-West Synod.
7. That we pay Christ Lutheran Church $10 to cover services rendered.

Greetings and felicitations were telegraphed from Synod to Dr. C. B. Harman of Grand Island and Pastor Carl J. Olson of Columbus, who were unable to attend the sessions of Synod on account of illness.

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. MORTENSEN, Chairman,
OLE G. NELSON,
JOHN W. ANDRESEN,
R. E. RANGELER.

Moved, seconded and carried that the Resolutions be adopted as presented.

The Committee on Leave of Absences presented its report and recommendations for excusing those absent from sessions of Synod. Moved, seconded and carried that the report be adopted and note made on the Roll of Synod of those excused.

The Tellers reported that Synod voted to hold the 1950 Convention of Synod in West Point, Nebraska.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was presented by The Rev. W. C. Heidenreich.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

On September 14, 1948, this committee elected the following as their officers: Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, Chairman; Rev. G. P. Krebs, Secretary; and Mr. D. L. Tyrell, Treasurer.

Paul Kuenning and Waldo Hansen, students attending Western Seminary, made application for aid and were granted $225 each for the school year.

The Treasurer makes the following report:

Balance on hand January 1, 1948	$795.28	
Receipts from Synodical Treasurer and W. Volker	$1053.28	
Total	$1848.28	
Disbursements:		
By check to Beneficiaries		$350.00
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1949		$1498.28

The Committee wrote and adopted a new set of By-Laws which were given to the Executive Committee of Synod for approval.

On February 2, 1949, the Committee met with the pre-theological students of Midland College and the Nebraska Synod students in Western Seminary. Informal talks and discussions by the group enabled the young men to receive a better understanding of the work of the Ministry.

We recommend that —

1. Synod appropriate $500 for the use of this committee during 1950.
2. That Pastors of Synod interest and encourage the better young men in their congregations for full time service in the Ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

G .P. KREBS, Secretary

By motion carried the recommendations were adopted.

The report of the Committee on Congregations and Parishes was

presented by the Rev. Paul de Freese.

The Committee notes that requests had gone out to all Churches that each congregation submit a copy of its constitution for examination.

President Schuldt presented the report of the Committee on Synodical paper.

COMMITTEE FOR THE NEBRASKA SYNOD LUTHERAN

During the past year three issues of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran were published, July, November 1948, and February 1949.

Your committee is tentatively planning the publication of four issues during the next Synodical year; after the meeting of Synod, early fall, Christmas, before the next meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE J. C. SCHULDT
F. W. HENKEL
E. C. MORTENSEN
J. H. M. SHIERY

The reporter to "The Lutheran" submitted his report. The Rev. Paul Wiegman has been appointed to this office by "The Lutheran."

REPORT ON REPORTER TO THE LUTHERAN

Dear Brethren of Synod:

In **The Lutheran** of Dec. 8, 1948 you have seen the first of the current lists of "Changes of Pastorate." Editor Ruff requests each staff correspondent for such a list once each month. He does not want, as he explains it, mere changes of address which do not involve a call from one field of service to another. He wants (1) name of individual; (2) former parish or other previous position (as St. Johns Church, Clementine); (3) new parish or positions (as, St. Paul's Church, Dover, or U. S. Army chaplaincy); (4) new address. The president of Synod has been asked also for cooperation in giving me data.

Installations are still news, however, and any special feature regarding a pastoral change may be news.

Editor Ruff also informs your correspondent that he has worked out the assignment of space to the various sections of the church for 1949. Ohio will have more space, because of a greatly increased number of subscribers in that state. Other areas are making progress, but results are not sufficiently definite to guide him in making the 1949 schedule. The **Lutheran** staff figures the space according to the number of readers in a given area. If you have suggestions regarding modification of my schedule, please write frankly to him or to me.

About the first of the year 1949 we were given a sad story about

declining circulation of **The Lutheran**. The paper was being obliged to cut back on its editorial policy. Editor Ruff was quite gloomy about the future. Since then the magazine has had increasing co-opperation throughout the church. Dr. Fry gave it brilliant help in calling the situation to the attention of the Synods. A half-dozen Synods have resolutely decided to make the circulation of **The Lutheran** part of their official business. The tide is coming in strong now. In two months **The Lutheran** has had nearly a 30 per cent increase in subscribers, and is now above all previous records. Editor Ruff says, "We have reason to believe this trend will continue for a while longer."

Giving the resettlement of DP's a big build-up in **The Lutheran** has been Editor Ruff's concern for a long time. This is a very difficult project to popularize, because it calls for real unselfishness and sacrifice. Gradually, though, the church is awakening to the character and scope of the problem. Canada has been way ahead of the U. S. Let's keep up the good work. Whenever a DP family settles in your neighborhood, get us the best human interest story you can and send it in promptly. Newspapers have done well with such stories and have usually published photographs. If you see such stories and pictures (where there is a Lutheran angle) send the clippings to me, and try also to get from the paper a copy of each picture. Secure any additional details you can. A picture doubles the value of a story.

Reports due in **The Lutheran** office, which means sent to me the week before: Feb. 22, April 12, June 21, Aug. 23, Oct. 11 and Jan. 3, 1950.

I state again and yet again how much we appreciate the faithful help from our brethren in Synod. You contribute one of the best and most essential sections of the paper, and your services are valued by very many people. News reports from each congregation keep the church knitted together as a family.

Yours,
PAUL WIEGMAN

Reports of the Committee on Publications and the Committee on Promoting Subscriptions to "The Lutheran" were submitted by mail by the Rev. Carl J. OLSON.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

Your Committee on Publications requests the members of this Convention -- clerical and lay — to peruse carefully the recommendations submitted by this Committee and unanimously adopted at the 1946, 1947, and 1948 Conventions and printed in the Minutes for those years.

We have no further recommendations to present except the following:

1. THAT we suggest that the people of our Synod give serious consideration to the devotional booklet entitled "LIGHT FOR TODAY" which is published by our own Publication House.

2. THAT wherever feasible the "BOOK CORNER" be introduced and put into operation. This is an excellent method of assisting Christian families in the selection of desirable books.

Respectfully submitted,
The Committee on Pubications:
CARL J. OLSON, Chairman
HENRY MONNICH
M. B. SIMON

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROMOTING SUBSCRIPTIONS TO "THE LUTHERAN"

Your Committee of one has clearly seen the necessity and certainly the desirability of launching an aggressive campaign to introduce "THE LUTHERAN" to every home in our Synod, or to as many as possible, i.e., to homes where it is not found at present. However, a change of pastorates and other circumstances over which he had no control made accomplishment of that an utter impossibility.

But he heartily recommends that such a campaign be launched as soon as possible after this Convention and be continued during the ensuing twelve months or until the next Synodical Convention.

"THE LUTHERAN" in its present form is second to none among the official organs of the various Church bodies and this is recognized by representative men outside of our own ranks. The Synod will, of course, look to this Committee, whoever will be appointed, to inaugurate such a campaign and in cooperation with pastors, church councils, auxiliaries and individuals, he will be expected to do his utmost to carry the same to a successful issue. "'THE LUTHERAN' IN EVERY HOME" should ever be our slogan.

Respectfully submitted,
CARL J. OLSON

REPORT OF MIDLAND ASSEMBLY

The Twenty-Sixth Annual Midland Summer Assembly for Church Workers was held August 8-13, 1948, on the Midland College campus in Fremont, Nebraska. in conjunction with the Sixty-Eighth Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society.

The Daily Devotions were conducted each morning by The Rev. Willard W. Alexander, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church. Kansas City, Kansas.

Three Credit Courses were offered; the Rev. E. B. Keisler, D. D., taught the class on "Christian Worship;" Mrs. Mabel B. Fenner taught the course on "The Use of the Bible With Children." The Rev. J. Ernest Messer, S. T. M., taught the course, "Undergoing for a Time of Peril," Study course in the book of Revelation.

Rev. D. E. Elder, pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Indianapolis, Ind., conducted the Pastor's Hour on the theme, "How to Set Up a Congregation Functionally."

The Inspirational lectures were given by: Miss Nona Diehl, the Rev. D. E. Elder, Miss Lilliana Bartolomei, the Rev. E. B. Keisler, D. D. and Mrs. Mabel B. Fenner

A course in music was offered for Intermediates by Miss Dora Finley of Sioux City. daily for one hour.

The Junior Assembly for children, ages 3 to 12, was under the direction of our Synodical Children of the Church Secretary, Miss Amanda Jorn of Falls City, Nebraska, assisted by Miss Mary Marx of Omaha.

At the Midland Assembly Board meeting, the following officers were elected to serve for one year: President, Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer, Emerson, Nebraska; Vice President, Rev. J. E. Messer, South Sioux City, Nebr.; Secretary, Mrs. Oscar Johnston, Omaha, Nebr.; Treasurer, Miss Alta Schafersman, Fremont, Nebraska.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. PINKALL

TREASURER'S REPORT OF MIDLAND ASSEMBLY

Receipts 1948 —

From Congregational organizations of Synod	$ 339.50
Gift from Synodical WMS	150.00
Offerings during Assembly week	120.01
Total Receipts	$ 609.51

Disbursements 1948 —

Faculty	$ 284.19
Administrative (Janitor and Comm. ex.)	52.80
Publicity	148.72
Gift to Midland College	75.00
Total Disbursements	560.71
Receipts for year 1948	609.51
Balance Previous year 1947	620.44
	1,229.95
Less Disbursements	560.71
	669.24
Savings Account	516.44
Balance on hand Jan. 12, 1949	$1,185.68

MISS ALTA SCHAFERSMAN, Treasurer

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW CONGREGATIONS AND PASTORAL CHANGES

Requests have gone out to all the Churches in harmony with the action of Synod that each congregation submit a copy of its constitution for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL DE FREESE
H. T. MONNICH
H. DUMLER

The Committee on Claims presented its report and recommended that claims totaling $4.20 covering miscellaneous items of expense in connection with this convention, be paid. By motion carried claims were ordered paid.

Moved, seconded and carried that any unfinished business be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

President Schuldt installed the newly elected officers of Synod, Dr. A. W. Young, as Secretary, Mr. F. Wood, as Treasurer, and the Rev. R. V. Davis as Statistician.

The formal closing of synod was conducted by President T. J. C. Schuldt.

These Minutes are certified to be the correct proceedings of the 77th Annual Convention of the Evanglical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska.

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MEMBERSHIP

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Child Members – Accessions: By Baptism	By Otherwise	Total	Child Members – Losses: Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	By Otherwise	Total	Gain or Loss: Net Gain	Net Loss	Adult Members – Accessions: By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	Adult Members – Losses: By Death	By Certificate	By Otherwise	Total
1	Allen	274	240	120	11		11						11		5	3	9		17	2	6		8
2	Auburn	827	503	386	51	7	58	11	1	6	12	30	28		10	25	5		40	4	26	56	86
3	Beatrice	181	142	120	8		8						8				8		8				
4	Bellevue	121	60	45	2		2						2				2		2		4		4
5	Benedict	243	139	105	1		1						1		2	1			3	2	3		5
6	Broadwater	215	146	103	15		15	3				3	12		5	7	2	3	17	1	1		2
7	Columbus	189	140	112	9	4	13	10		1		11	2			13	9	5	27	1	5	2	8
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel	23	21	9																			
9	Dakota City-Salem	406	271	139	4		4						4				3		3				
10	Dalton	190	139	97	8		8	1		4		5	3			1		1	2	3	3		6
11	Davenport	574	289	244	16	7	23	5				5	18		1	10	11		22	3	3	13	19
12	Eagle	68	73	43	1		1						1										
13	Emerson	723	380	294	19	4	23	15				15	8		4	19	9	2	34			4	4
14	Falls City	908	595	466	19	15	34	13		3		16	18			13	16	18	47	8	9	166	183
15	Fremont	1467	1040	864	29	21	50	11	2	3		16	34		9	37	56	8	110	3	20		23
16	Grand Island	2958	1916	1331	79	20	99	17		12		29	70		38	39	27	22	126	8	35	184	227
17	Gurley	214	149	120	8	4	12		1	7		8	4			2	6		8		7		7
18	Hampton	117	76	65	3		3				6	6		3	4	4	3	1	12	1	5	24	30
19	Hardy	180	112	67	7	2	9						9				9		9			6	6
20	Homer	405	348	119																			
21	Hooper	476	346	301	23	1	24	3		3		6	18		6	14	9		29	5	3		8
22	Hubbard	215	175	47																			
24	Lewellan	377	260	192	14	2	16	12	1		40	53		37	8	14	4		26	2	4	47	53
23	Leigh	236	117	66	2		2	2				2			5	2	1		8		1		1
25	Lincoln	1136	850	658	62	14	76	14	2	5		21	55		8	25	52	2	87	13	15	97	125
26	McCool Junction	241	164	119	3		3				12	12		9						1		12	13
27	Nebraska City	428	304	175	19	8	27	5		4	10	19	8		3	5	22		30	3	5	20	28
28	North Platte	1392	1113	809	77	10	87	14	2	7	95	118		31	32	55	45	8	140	11	25	84	120
29	Omaha-First	673	419	259	27	10	37	14	3	6		23	14		8	30	6		44	4	10	19	33
30	Omaha-Grace	325	250	250	35	9	44		1	4		5	39		3	4	45		52	5	4	10	19
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	6539	4777	2131	145	90	235	96	10	103	35	244		9	49	139	56	55	299	45	78	179	302
32	Omaha-L. Memorial	410	297	248	15	13	28	3		8	22	33		5	4	7	33		44	5	25	64	94
33	Omaha-Redeemer	1321	846	599	48	22	70	22			7	29	41		9	22	32	62	125	8	27	26	61
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	1333	927	642	52	9	61	21	3	7	49	80		19	11	41	24	6	82	7	27	46	80
35	Oshkosh	200	139	70	2	3	5	2				2	3		5	9	4		18	2			2
36	Paxton	473	321	193	33		33	10	3	5		18	15		13	25	15		53	3	5		8
37	Ponca	433	316	201	12		12						12			5			5	1			1
38	Potter	126	80	64																			
39	Rising City	314	211	127	9		9						9		2	5			7	2	6		8
40	Scribner	315	243	188	5	5	10	2		3		5	5		3	18	11	4	36		6	55	61
41	Sidney	640	345	260	32		32	3	2	5		10	22		2	11	20		33	3	10		13
42	Snyder	71	61	45	2		2	2				2				2	2		4	2	1		3
43	So. Sioux City	890	545	370	31	2	33	6				6	27		6	27	19	4	56	4	14	100	118
44	Spencer	197	140	117	15	13	28	3			15	18	10		25	22	19		66	5		6	11
45	Stamford	198	160	116	9	1	10						10				6		6	2	3		5
46	Stella	60	37	23																1		4	5
47	Sutherland	90	37	17	1		1						1			2	2		4				
48	Tekamah	308	183	156	13	4	17	7		1		8	9			7	7		14	1	5		6
49	Vacoma	106	67	39	2		2						2								1		1
50	Verdon	267	204	106	8		8			5		5	3			4	3	1	8	1	3		4
51	Walton	186	149	57																			
52	Wayne	578	449	360	21	14	35	15		3		18	17		2	15	25		42	6	7		13
53	West Point	905	622	489	16	6	22	23				23		1		28	16	275	319	9	7		16
54	Wilber	358	180	82	5		5			5		5			6	1	4		11	2	4		6
55	Wolbach	432	270	130	18		18				1	1	17		5	1		2	8	2	6		8
56	York	347	215	118	4		4						4							1	3	8	12
1948		32879	22599	14673	1050	320	1370	365	31	210	304	910	574	114	293	714	657	483	2147	192	432	1232	1856
1947		32128	22308	13897	1002	331	1333	443	30	294	377	1144	616	426	344	759	777	137	2017	207	720	789	1716
Inc.		751	291	776	48		37		1									346	130			443	140
Dec.						11		78		84	73	234	42	312	51	45	120			15	288		

EDUCATION

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE	Parish – Sunday Schools: Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Nursery Roll	Weekday Schools: Number	Teachers	Pupils	Children of Church: Leaders	Pupils	Number of Catechumens	Higher: In Lutheran Seminaries	In Lutheran Motherhouses	In Other Luth. Insts.	In Non-Luth. Insts.	Index Number
1	Allen	1	11	75		20						13				1	1
2	Auburn	1	28	195	10	37	1	14	109	2	18	11	1		6	4	2
3	Beatrice	1	7	55		15	1	3	24								3
4	Bellevue	1	4	65			1	5	40			14				1	4
5	Benedict	1	20	85	4	18	1	12	30							3	5
6	Broadwater	1	5	55	55	12	1	3	60			28			1	4	6
7	Columbus	1	7	51		21						13				2	7
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel	1	4	10	5	2											8
9	Dakota City-Salem	1	15	75		18										4	9
10	Dalton	1	6	35		17	1	8	47			10			2	2	10
11	Davenport	1	35	165	5	25						16			6	2	11
12	Eagle																12
13	Emerson	1	15	120	4	58						35				4	13
14	Falls City	1	16	196		31	1	2	29	1	31	21			5	3	14
15	Fremont	1	44	411	24	67	1	49	217			95	1	1	20	12	15
16	Grand Island	1	39	398		142						77			1	35	16
17	Gurley	1	11	67	16	32	1	5	43			14			2	6	17
18	Hampton	1	7	59		9	1	2	16								18
19	Hardy	1	10	90	10	30	1	7	22						1	3	19
20	Homer	2	10	50													20
21	Hooper	1	15	122		45	1	16	106			28			8	4	21
22	Hubbard	1	4	24													22
24	Lewellan	1	12	70		22	1	9	53			38			2	2	23
23	Leigh	1	12	39								14				2	24
25	Lincoln	1	39	329	30	62	1	7	50			70	1		2	25	25
26	McCool Junction	1	5	90													26
27	Nebraska City	1	16	119		20	1	4	42			30	1		2	2	27
28	North Platte	1	43	391	33	77						47			8	48	28
29	Omaha-First	1	31	265	5	48	1	10	108			31				3	29
30	Omaha-Grace	1	18	133	23		1	6	36			4	1			6	30
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	4	119	850		203	1	15	65	2	21	290	1		5	150	31
32	Omaha-L. Memorial	1	18	140		28	1	6	60			21			1	10	32
33	Omaha-Redeemer	1	45	289		52	1	15	113	5	35	18		1	1	17	33
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	1	40	479	36	67	1	17	142			55			4	15	34
35	Oshkosh	1	13	82	10	35						20				3	35
36	Paxton	1	16	88		21						10			3	2	36
37	Ponca	2	14	90								5					37
38	Potter	1	8	71		13	1	6	42								38
39	Rising City	1	18	72		18						10				3	39
40	Scribner	1	15	106		53						33	1		2	4	40
41	Sidney	1	13	121								12			2	3	41
42	Snyder	1	2	7		93	1	15	115	1	33				1	1	42
43	So. Sioux City	1	20	154		16									3	26	43
44	Spencer	1	6	31		10									1	2	44
45	Stamford	1	21	73										1	4	1	45
46	Stella	1	8	24													46
47	Sutherland	1				16											47
48	Tekamah	1	18	120		4						11			3	1	48
49	Vacoma	1	7	51		7						2					49
50	Verdon	1	9	94								4			2		50
51	Walton	1	4	25		45		5	35	5	35						51
52	Wayne	1	28	110	14	51	1	4	41			31			1	10	52
53	West Point	1	16	165								60			4	14	53
54	Wilber	1	12	112								12					54
55	Wolbach	1	9	52								6				1	55
56	York	1	5	51													56
1948		59	973	7296	229	1560	25	245	1645	16	173	1209	7	3	103	441	'48
1947		56	945	7005	107	1475	21	201	1421	25	236	1221	5	3	109	247	'47
Inc.		3	28	291	122	185	4	44	224				2			194	Inc.
Dec.										9	53	12			6		Dec.

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Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	CONGREGATION	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1948	Language Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED Number of Members	BAPTIZED Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED Number of Members	CONFIRMED Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING Number of Members	COMMUNING Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
1	Allen	First	1912	State Highway No. 9	Dixon	6	Cress, F. L.	Eng.	274	20	---	240	9	---	120	5	---	1
2	Auburn	St. Paul's	1884	21st and O Sts.	Nemaha	4	Henkle, F. W.	Eng.	827	---	18	503	---	46	386	6	---	2
3	Beatrice	Trinity	1883	9th and Elk Sts.	Gage	3	Vacant	Eng.	181	16	---	142	8	---	120	8	---	3
4	Bellevue	Immanuel	1945	24th and Franklin Sts.	Sarpy	4	Kramer, A.	Eng.	121	---	---	60	---	2	45	---	---	4
5	Benedict	Zion	1881	Benedict	York	6	vacant	Eng.	243	---	1	139	---	2	105	---	3	5
6	Broadwater	United	1934	Broadwater	Morrill	6	Simon, M. B.	Eng.	215	27	---	146	15	---	103	21	---	6
7	Columbus	United	1930	Columbus	Platte	4	Olson, C.	Eng.	189	21	---	140	19	---	112	5	---	7
8	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1858	Dakota City	Dakota	6	Vacant	Eng.	23	---	---	21	---	---	9	---	---	8
9	Dakota City	Salem	1872	3 mi. west of Dakota City	Dakota	6	Vacant	Eng.	406	7	---	271	3	---	139	3	---	9
10	Dalton	Trinity	1930	Dalton	Cheyenne	6	Bartels, R.	Eng.	190	---	1	139	---	4	97	---	9	10
11	Davenport	Christ's	1892	Davenport	Thayer	6	Dumler, H.	Eng.	574	21	---	289	3	---	244	24	---	11
12	Eagle	Trinity	1893	Eagle	Cass	6	Vacant	Eng.	68	1	---	73	---	---	43	---	---	12
13	Emerson	St. Lukes	1911	Emerson	Dixon	6	Pfeiffer, R. R.	Eng.	723	38	---	380	30	---	294	12	---	13
14	Falls City	St. Paul's	1913	Falls City	Richardson	4	Hershey, J. C.	Eng.	908	---	118	595	---	136	406	---	2	14
15	Fremont	Salem	1902	E. Military Ave. & C St.	Dodge	3	Kern, F. W.	Eng.	1467	121	---	1040	87	---	864	96	---	15
16	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1882	503 W. 2nd St.	Hall	3	Rupley, J. B. Sr.	Eng.	2958	---	31	1916	---	101	1331	26	---	16
17	Gurley	Grace	1916	Gurley	Cheyenne	6	Bartels, R.	Eng.	214	5	---	149	1	---	120	6	---	17
18	Hampton	Emmanuel	1916	Hampton	Hamilton	6	Rupley, K.	Eng.	117	---	21	76	---	18	65	18	---	18
19	Hardy	St. Paul's	1881	Hardy	Nuckolls	6	Glein, H.	Eng.	180	12	---	112	3	---	67	4	---	19
20	Homer	St. Paul's	1886	Homer	Dakota	5	Vacant	Eng.	405	---	---	348	---	---	119	---	---	20
21	Hooper	Grace	1915	Hooper	Dodge	5	De Frese, Paul	Eng.	476	39	---	346	21	---	301	7	---	21
22	Hubbard	Trinity	1905	Hubbard	Dakota	6	Vacant	Eng.	215	---	---	175	---	---	47	---	---	22
23	Leigh	St. John's	1918	Leigh	Colfax	5	Gigstad, Karl	Eng.	377	---	64	260	---	27	192	20	---	23
24	Lewellen	Grace	1906	Lewellen	Garden	6	Heidenreich, W. C.	Eng.	236	7	---	117	7	---	66	7	---	24
25	Lincoln	Grace	1890	14th and F Sts.	Lancaster	2	Lesher, L. H.	Eng.	1136	17	---	850	---	38	658	43	---	25
26	McCool Junction	First	1900	McCool Junction	York	6	Klink, W. A.	Eng.	241	---	22	164	---	13	119	---	13	26
27	Nebraska City	First	1886	3rd Corso and 9th St.	Otoe	4	Davis, R. V.	Eng.	408	10	---	304	2	---	175	3	---	27
28	North Platte	First	1880	5th and Sycamore	Lincoln	3	Rupley, J. B. Jr.	Eng.	1392	---	11	1113	20	---	809	188	---	28
29	Omaha	First	1907	2347 N. 62nd St.	Douglas	1	Young, A. W.	Eng.	673	25	---	419	11	---	259	15	---	29
30	Omaha	Grace	1889	1326 S. 26th St.	Douglas	1	Goede, H. J.	Eng.	325	72	---	250	33	---	250	33	---	30
31	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1858	2606 Farnam St.	Douglas	1	Traub, W. H.	Eng.	6539	---	12	4777	---	3	2131	---	204	31
32	Omaha	Luther Memorial	1936	53rd and Seward Sts.	Douglas	1	Most, W. F.	Eng.	410	---	55	297	---	50	248	8	---	32
33	Omaha	Redeemer	1917	24th and Larimore Sts.	Douglas	1	Clark, Harvey	Eng.	1321	105	---	846	64	---	599	125	---	33
34	Omaha	St. Luke's	1905	24th and I Sts.	Douglas	1	Pinkall, A. H.	Eng.	1333	---	17	927	2	---	642	12	---	34
35	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1906	Oshkosh	Garden	5	Heidenreich, W. C.	Eng.	200	19	---	139	16	---	70	16	---	35
36	Paxton	Trinity	1902	Paxton	Keith	5	Mortensen, E. C.	Eng.	473	60	---	221	45	---	193	---	---	36
37	Ponca	Salem	1868	Ponca	Dixon	5	Vacant	Eng.	433	16	---	316	4	---	201	---	---	37
38	Potter	First	1892	Potter	Cheyenne	6	Gies, W.	Eng.	126	---	---	80	---	---	64	---	---	38
39	Rising City	First	1881	Rising City	Butler	6	Vacant	Eng.	314	8	---	211	---	1	127	---	6	39
40	Scribner	United	1935	Scribner	Dodge	5	Jacobs, John	Eng.	315	---	20	243	---	25	188	34	---	40
41	Sidney	Trinity	1886	10th Ave. and Lincoln St.	Cheyenne	4	Mounich, H.	Eng.	640	42	---	345	20	---	260	---	7	41
42	Snyder	Immanuel	1899	Snyder	Dodge	6	Jacobs, John	Eng.	71	1	---	61	1	---	45	---	2	42
43	So. Sioux City	First	1920	21st and A Sts.	Dakota	4	Messer, J. E.	Eng.	890	---	35	545	---	62	370	30	---	43
44	Spencer	United	1930	Spencer	Boyd	5	Anderson, P. O.	Eng.	197	65	---	140	55	---	117	52	---	44
45	Stamford	Trinity	1888	Stamford	Harlan	6	Vacant	Eng.	198	11	---	160	1	---	116	---	5	45
46	Stella	Trinity	1884	Stella	Richardson	6	Miller, J. C.	Eng.	60	---	5	37	---	5	23	1	---	46
47	Sutherland	Grace	1902	Sutherland	Lincoln	5	Mortensen, E. C.	Eng.	90	5	---	38	4	---	17	1	---	47
48	Tekamah	Emmanuel	1858	12th and L Sts.	Burt	6	Wiegman, Paul	Eng.	308	17	---	183	8	---	156	5	---	48
49	Vacoma	St. John's	1893	11 miles east of Hooper	Washington	6	Wiegman, Paul	Eng.	106	1	---	67	---	1	39	---	9	49
50	Verdon	St. Mark's	1883	3½ mi. southwest of Verdon	Richardson	6	Miller, J. C.	Eng.	267	7	---	204	4	---	106	---	2	50
51	Walton	Grace	1916	Walton	Lancaster	6	Vacant	Eng.	186	---	---	149	---	---	57	---	---	51
52	Wayne	St. Paul's	1881	Wayne	Wayne	4	Shiery, John	Eng.	578	46	---	449	29	---	360	19	---	52
53	West Point	Grace	1874	West Point	Cuming	4	Krebs, G.	Eng.	905	302	---	622	303	---	489	170	---	53
54	Wilbur	First	1889	Wilbur	Saline	5	Cordts, H. C.	Eng.	358	5	---	180	5	---	82	17	---	54
55	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	Wolbach	Greeley	5	Harman, C. B.	Eng.	432	17	---	270	---	---	130	10	---	55
56	York	First	1877	8th St. and Grant Ave.	York	4	Klink, W. A.	Eng.	347	---	4	215	---	8	118	---	12	56
	1948 Totals								32879	1186	435	22599	833	542	14673	1050	274	48
	1947 Totals								32128	1460	970	22308	963	662	13897	834	544	*47
	Increase								751	---	---	291	---	---	776	216	---	Inc.
	Decrease								---	274	535	-----	130	120	-----	---	270	Dec.

*Figures taken from a previous report; no new report having been received

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MEMBERSHIP

		ADULT MEMBERS											Sunday Schools				
		Gain or Loss		Accessions					Losses								
Otherwise	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total	By Death	By Certificate	By Otherwise	Total	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Nursery Roll
		11		5	3	9		17	2	6		8	1	11	75		
2	30	28		10	25	5		40	4	26	56	86	1	28	195	10	
		8				8		8					1	7	55		
		2				2		2		4		4	1	4	65		
		1		2	1			3	2	3		5	1	20	85	4	
	3	12		5	7	2	3	17	1	1		2	1	5	55	55	
	11	2			13	9	5	27	1	5	2	8	1	7	51		
													1	4	10	5	
		4				3		3					1	15	75		
	5	3			1		1	2	3	3		6	1	6	35		
	5	18		1	10	11		22	3	3	13	19	1	35	165	5	
		1															
	15	8		4	19	9	2	34			4	4	1	15	120	4	
	16	18			13	16	18	47	8	9	166	183	1	16	196		
	16	34		9	37	56	8	110	3	20		23	1	44	411	24	
	29	70		38	39	27	22	126	8	35	184	227	1	39	398		
	8	4			2	6		8		7		7	1	11	67	16	
6	6		3	4	4	3	1	12	1	5	24	30	1	7	59		
		9				9		9			6	6	1	10	90	10	
													2	10	50		
	6	18		6	14	9		29	5	3		8	1	15	122		
													1	4	24		
0	53		37	8	14	4		26	2	4	47	53	1	12	70		
	2			5	2	1		8		1		1	1	12	39		
	21	55		8	25	52	2	87	13	15	97	125	1	39	329	30	
2	12		9						1		12	13	1	5	90		
0	19	8		3	5	22		30	3	5	20	28	1	16	119		
5	118		31	32	55	45	8	140	11	25	84	120	1	43	391	33	
	23	14		8	30	6		44	4	10	19	33	1	31	265	5	
	5	39		3	4	45		52	5	4	10	19	1	18	133	23	
5	244		9	49	139	56	55	299	45	78	179	302	4	119	850		
2	33		5	4	7	33		44	5	25	64	94	1	18	140		
7	29	41		9	22	32	62	125	8	27	26	61	1	45	289		
9	80		19	11	41	24	6	82	7	27	46	80	1	40	479	36	
	2	3		5	9	4		18	2			2	1	13	82	10	
	18	15		13	25	15		53	3	5		8	1	16	88		
		12			5			5	1			1	2	14	90		
													1	8	71		
		9		2	5			7	2	6		8	1	18	72		
	5	5		3	18	11	4	36		6	55	61	1	15	106		
	10	22		2	11	20		33	3	10		13	1	13	121		
	2				2	2		4	2	1		3	1	2	7		
	6	27		6	27	19	4	56	4	14	100	118	1	20	154		
5	18	10		25	22	19		66	5		6	11	1	6	31		
		10				6		6	2	3		5	1	21	73		
									1		4	5	1	8	24		
		1			2	2		4					1				
	8	9			7	7		14	1	5		6	1	18	120		
		2								1		1	1	7	51		
	5	3			4	3	1	8	1	3		4	1	9	94		
													1	4	25		
	18	17		2	15	25		42	6	7		13	1	28	110	14	
	23		1		28	16	275	319	9	7		16	1	16	165		
	5			6	1	4		11	2	4		6	1	12	112		
1	1	17		5	1		2	8	2	6		8	1	9	52		
		4							1	3	8	12	1	5	51		
4	910	574	114	293	714	657	483	2147	192	432	1232	1856	59	9737	296	229	15
71	144	616	426	344	759	777	137	2017	207	720	789	1716	56	9457	005	107	14
							346	130			443	140	3	28	291	122	1
3	234	42	312	51	45	120			15	288							

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS								FINANCIAL																										Index Number
	Men's		Women's		Mixed		Y'g People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE																	
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTIONED									
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Racial Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures								
1	1	26	3	150	--	---	1	20	20000	8000	----	-----	-----	28000	-----	2949	2053	5032	63	27		34	93	217	485	207	424	5456	1							
2	1	14	1	55	2	60	2	29	27000	5000	----	-----	2000	34000	-----	5284	1526	6810	381	423	230	779	986	2799	1995	3070	5869	12679	2							
3	--	---	3	42	1	20	1	12	29000	8000	----	-----	-----	37000	-----	4098	-----	4098	117	----		71	52	240	614	429	669	4767	3							
4	--	---	1	13	--	---	2	14	4000	6000	----	-----	500	10500	5550	1090	382	1472	----	----		----	55	55	257	100	155	1627	4							
5	1	10	3	85	--	---	--	---	11640	4850	----	-----	9386	25876	-----	2754	601	3355	----	100	28	54	190	372	553	801	1173	4528	5							
6	--	---	1	28	--	---	1	20	10000	3000	----	-----	-----	13000	398	2593	7886	10479	----	20		5	189	214	445	360	574	11053	6							
7	1	15	2	41	--	---	2	30	8000	4500	----	-----	-----	12500	-----	2857	124	3011	26	21	17	21	157	242	485	556	798	3809	7							
8	--	---	2	25	--	---	--	---	7000	-----	----	-----	-----	7000	65	230	-----	230	----	3		2	40	45	51	35	80	310	8							
9	--	---	2	64	--	---	--	---	20000	5000	----	-----	-----	25000	-----	3630	1863	5493	50	21	95	292	120	578	952	848	1426	6919	9							
10	--	---	1	40	--	---	--	---	5000	-----	----	-----	23745	28745	-----	2495	1550	4045	51	79		279	244	613	502	941	1554	5599	10							
11	1	34	2	93	--	---	2	36	25000	6000	----	-----	-----	31000	-----	4045	607	4652	5	31	15	166	667	884	1283	1283	2167	6819	11							
12	--	---	1	40	--	---	--	---	2000	-----	----	-----	-----	2000	-----	1137	-----	1137	----	----		----	110	110	257	60	170	1307	12							
13	1	15	1	87	--	---	1	8	25000	5000	----	-----	12460	42460	-----	3284	1464	4748	19	265	9	125	1713	2131	1590	1081	3212	7960	13							
14	--	---	5	134	--	---	1	25	15000	7500	----	-----	44606	67106	-----	4407	3383	7790	177	118	300	97	1149	1841	3146	3146	4987	12777	14							
15	1	50	1	200	--	---	5	175	125000	10000	----	-----	1500	136500	-----	22882	18392	41274	65	106	20	61	2991	3243	3793	6262	9506	50779	15							
16	--	---	4	142	--	---	2	35	40000	10000	----	11200	-----	61200	-----	8922	537	9459	604	121	----	148	1619	2492	6897	4341	6833	16282	16							
17	--	---	2	43	--	---	1	13	6000	5000	----	-----	51	11051	-----	2891	1857	4748	55	19	----	150	302	535	633	945	1480	6228	17							
18	1	17	1	25	--	---	1	25	2250	3700	----	-----	-----	5950	-----	1956	1077	3033	----	35	----	14	225	274	348	547	821	3854	18							
19	--	---	2	135	--	---	1	30	15000	5000	----	-----	-----	20000	-----	3450	375	3825	----	----	----	----	152	152	359	553	705	4530	19							
20	--	---	1	110	--	---	--	---	10200	2500	----	-----	-----	12700	-----	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----	----	----	----	895	155	155	155	20							
21	--	---	3	122	2	56	3	58	25000	6000	----	-----	1400	32400	-----	8910	7144	16054	38	295	103	648	490	1574	1573	2421	3995	20049	21							
22	--	---	1	20	--	---	--	---	3000	-----	----	-----	-----	3000	-----	639	-----	639	----	----	----	10	----	10	182	60	70	709	22							
23	1	19	2	54	--	---	1	12	15000	10000	----	-----	-----	25000	-----	3229	1618	4847	5	87	15	45	476	628	1116	711	1339	6186	23							
24	--	---	1	40	--	---	1	15	6000	-----	----	-----	2000	8000	-----	1214	-----	1214	----	13	----	228	326	567	285	439	1006	2220	24							
25	1	25	5	125	3	90	4	90	20000	6000	----	-----	110000	136000	-----	11210	97338	108548	100	410	25	1885	1198	3618	3420	5262	8880	117428	25							
26	1	24	2	43	--	---	--	---	15000	-----	----	-----	-----	15000	-----	2373	300	2673	----	----	----	----	207	207	775	485	692	3365	26							
27	--	---	3	58	--	---	1	15	8000	5000	----	-----	2000	15000	-----	3671	449	4120	53	----	----	283	484	820	969	488	1308	5428	27							
28	1	70	15	243	2	78	5	141	100000	10000	----	-----	3954	113954	3500	15506	1768	17274	68	2031	34	362	1648	4143	3454	4260	8403	25677	28							
29	--	---	2	80	1	30	1	38	25000	5000	----	-----	2500	32500	3100	8542	206	8748	135	132	----	572	145	984	1340	1547	2531	11279	29							
30	1	21	4	62	1	22	1	24	70000	6000	----	-----	4000	80000	2900	6527	5310	11837	174	200	68	115	1180	1737	918	1709	3446	15283	30							
31	--	---	6	470	--	---	4	90	300000	-----	----	6000	15000	321000	-----	35944	8536	44480	1909	1220	1159	817	7677	12782	13179	13147	25929	70409	31							
32	--	---	2	58	1	61	2	36	25000	8000	----	-----	15000	48000	7000	6441	2126	8567	----	----	----	44	431	475	1174	1807	2282	10849	32							
33	1	20	2	80	1	30	3	47	60000	14000	----	-----	-----	74000	2426	11640	1664	13304	100	469	110	211	1446	2336	2303	2976	5312	18616	33							
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